

About this module

The Kingston and St. George's Practice Educators' Stage 2 Programme equips registered social workers to undertake the responsibilities of a Stage 2 Practice Educator (Practice Educator Professional Standards (PEPS)).

Those who complete this module successfully will be able to supervise, teach and assess social work degree students up to and including the last placement. In effect, these practice educators will have the authority and capability to recommend, on the basis of appropriate evidence, that the social work students are fit to practice at the point of qualification. Those undertaking this module are required to undertake a practicum which entails acting as a Stage 2 practice educator to a degree in social work student on a final placement (100 days). The module includes practice assessment. We have two intakes a year for this module.

Stage	Intake	Dates	Placement
SW7011 S.2	Oct 2019	7 Oct, 4 Nov, 2 Dec 2018, 24 Feb, 8 Jun 2019	Jan 20–Jul 20
SW7011 S.2	May 2020	19 May, 16 Jun, other dates TBC 2019/20	tbc
PLUS	One joint (trainees and students) preparation workshop and 5 two hour workshops during the period that the degree in social work student is on placement		

Workshop Dates (compulsory)

Workshop Focus	Date & Time	Room (Kingston Hill Campus)
Preparation for Placement	tbc	TBC
First Impressions or Initial Assessment		TBC
Preparing for the Midway		TBC
Dealing with Challenges		TBC
Writing the Final Report		TBC
Evaluating the Placement Experience		TBC

Who can apply for this module?

This programme is suitable for experienced, registered social workers who have completed a Stage 1 practice educator programme or an Enabling Learning (social work) programme, or equivalent. Registered social workers with significant experience of the practice education role

(practice teaching degree in social work students) may be able to accredit their experience to enter this module directly.

What you will learn on this module

- How to manage effectively the provision of a final practice placement for a degree in social work student and
- How to evidence purposeful contributions to the quality assurance of placement learning and the development of an agency as a training organisation by reviewing and improving provision (*PEPS Domain A: Stage 2 requirements*)
- How to enable learning and professional development in practice and apply a range of supervisory models, roles and skills which recognize different learning styles and strategies and the power dynamics between the practice educator and the learner (*PEPS Domain B: Stage 2 requirements*)
- How to transfer practice educator skills, knowledge and values to new roles in mentoring, supervision, teaching and /or assessment (*PEPS Domain D: Stage 2 requirements*)
- How to manage the holistic assessment of learners in practice and demonstrate ability to make difficult holistic assessment decisions which may include marginal or failing students; mark learners' academic work and utilise a range of assessment methods (*PEPS Domain C: Stage 2 requirements*)
- How to analyse and critically reflect on your own values, attitudes and practice in relation to ethical practice in professional practice education in social work and show enhanced understanding of the origins and implications of discrimination and power relationships. (*PEPS Values requirements*)
- How to reflect critically on and analyse their own progress as a practitioner and social work practice educator and analyse and evaluate research, policies and developments with respect to social work and practice education and develop their continuing professional development plan (*PEPS Domain D: Stage 2 requirements*)

Where and how will I learn on this module?

The course will be delivered at the Kingston Hill campus, Kingston University / St George's University of London. There are 5 days learning in the university and a skills development day in our Practice Learning Suite. You will also be able to access our Canvas Virtual Learning Environment on and off site.

During the module you will provide a final placement (normally 100 days) for a degree in social work student. A practice assessor/mentor will support you during the time you are working with student.

How will I be assessed?

You will complete a portfolio showing your work with the student. Your practice assessor/mentor will also assess you working with the student. You will complete three short reflective analyses focussing on supervision, assessment and professional development.

What qualifications do I get and what opportunities are there for on-going professional development?

When you pass this module you will gain 30 Level 7 credits. This is half a PG Certificate in Practice Education. You can apply to accredit (RPL) your previous experience as a Stage 1 practice educator. Details about this will be provided on request. If you are able to accredit your Stage 1 equivalent experience, or other studies (including consolidation) to a value of 30 credits, when you complete Stage 2 successfully you will be awarded a Post Graduate Certificate in Practice Education. You can continue after this to gain a Master's degree.

Costs

The cost of this module is £1,560 GBP for the academic year 2019/20.

If the Trainee Practice Educator provides a placement to a KU/SGUL student a significant discount is applied to the course fees. This will bring the cost of the course down to £300.

Practice Assessor/ Mentor: If your agency is not able to provide a practice assessor/ mentor, we can assist. There will be an additional charge for paying the practice assessor/ mentor.

Applying for the course

Please note that there are a limited number of places on this module. An early application is recommended.

You should apply on line at

<http://www.kingston.ac.uk/postgraduate-course/practice-education-postgraduate-certificate/>

Closing dates for the modules will be 2 weeks prior to the start of the teaching sessions

If you require further details about the module, please contact
Postgraduate Programmes Administrator

Email: pgsocialwork@sgul.kingston.ac.uk

Please note that when applying for this course there is a separate *Sponsorship Agreement* form that will need to be completed to indicate any agreement for organisational sponsorship.
