

Inclusion and Special Educational Needs

AdCert, BPhil, PGCert, PGDip, MEd, MA

Full and part time on campus or by distance education

Is this programme for you?

The Inclusion and Special Educational Needs (ISEN) programme of study enables students to study across a wide spectrum of inclusion and special educational needs.



The programme is designed with two distinct groups of participants in mind:

- Students who wish to study a range of campus-based modules relating to ISEN (depending on those available each year)
- Students on distance education programmes who wish to combine modules from two fields of study (BPhil, PGDip or MEd only)

What does the programme offer?

Campus mode (all awards)

Students may choose modules from any of those related to ISEN, for example: Autism, Dyslexia or Speech and Language Difficulties. They may also choose generic ISEN modules, such as Introduction to Inclusion and SEN or Policy, Practice and Provision for SEN. Normally students would choose all their modules from ISEN for a certificate and all but one module for all other qualifications.

Distance education mode (BPhil, PG Dip, MEd only)

Students may choose two of the following fields of study:

- Autism (Adults)
- Autism (Children)
- Learning Difficulties/Disabilities (Severe, Profound and Complex)*
- Social, Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties (first year only)
- Speech and Language Difficulties

At the end of the first year you will transfer to a second programme chosen from those above. It is advisable to consult with a tutor about the best combinations and in which order to study the two programmes. When you apply please make sure you indicate which 2 programmes you are interested in. This programme is for experienced practitioners only

To find out more about these fields of study please refer to the relevant leaflets.

Study and Awards	
AdCert	3 Modules (Honours Level)
BPhil	4 Modules plus Dissertation
PGCert	3 Modules (Masters Level)
PGDip	6 Modules
MEd	6 Modules plus dissertation

How do you study?

The programme is available in both campus-based and distance education modes.

Campus mode

The campus-based mode utilises lectures, seminars, tutorials and school visits, practical tasks and discussions of videos of practice.

Distance Education Mode

The distance education mode utilises material for home study, tutorial and seminar groups, together with two residential weekends per year at the University of Birmingham.

Assignments and dissertation topics reflect students' individual teaching interests and contexts.

What are the entry requirements?

Standard University entry requirements apply.

How do you apply?

If you require an application form please contact the School of Education on 0121 414 4866 or at education@bham.ac.uk giving your name and address. An early application is advised as places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Learn more

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* Please note this programme does not cover dyslexia

