

The Difference between the CertEd, ProfGrad and PGCE

All of the above courses are awarded by the University of Huddersfield (UoH) and are the full teaching qualification for those wanting to teach in adult (Lifelong Learning) education. All courses are equivalent to the Level 5 Diploma in Education & Training (DET) (formerly DET) that is offered by some colleges.

The Certificate in Education (CertEd), ProfGrad (Professional Graduate Certificate in Education) and PGCE (Post Graduate Certificate in Education) have been written by the University of Huddersfield (UoH) to take account of the ETF 20 standards. All courses lead to Qualified Teacher Learning & Skills (QTLS).

	CertEd (Certificate in Education)	ProfGrad (Professional Graduate Certificate in Education)	PGCE (Post Graduate Certificate in Education)
Price	Full-time (£7,000) Part-time (£3,500)	Full-time (£7,000) Part-time (£3,500)	Full-time (£7,000) Part-time (£3,500)
Awarding Body	University of Huddersfield (UoH)	University of Huddersfield (UoH)	University of Huddersfield (UoH)
Credit Value	120 credits at Level 5	120 credits at Level 6	60 credits at Level 6 and 60 credits at Level 7
Entry Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of a Level 3 qualification in your subject area, • 100 hrs teaching, • A commitment to work towards completing maths and English at Level 2 (GCSE grade C/4) by the end of the course, • DBS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of a degree in your subject area, • 100 hrs teaching, • A commitment to work towards completing maths and English at Level 2 (GCSE grade C/4) by the end of the course, • DBS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of a degree in your subject area and an ability to work at Masters level, • 100 hrs teaching, • A commitment to work towards completing maths and English at Level 2 (GCSE grade C/4) by the end of the course, • DBS.
Written Assessment	Assignments, Presentations and Teaching Practice observations	Assignments, Presentations and Teaching Practice observations	Assignments, Presentations and Teaching Practice observations
Graduation	Yes – UoH has a graduation for all qualified teachers.	Yes – UoH has a graduation for all qualified teachers.	Yes – UoH has a graduation for all qualified teachers.
Study Venue	Bedford or Tresham College.	Bedford or Tresham College.	Bedford or Tresham College.
Length of Course	1 year full-time, or 2 years part-time.	1 year full-time, or 2 years part-time.	1 year full-time, or 2 years part-time.
Working in Schools	All qualifications lead to QTLS which is recognised by the Department for Education (DfE) to allow appropriate persons (e.g. also holding a National Curriculum based Degree) to work as a qualified teacher in a school. The Lifelong Learning PGCE should not be confused with the Secondary Schools based Post Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) and anyone that has a strong desire to teach in a school should probably contact a university directly to look at school based qualifications. School teachers are generally required to have Qualified Teacher Status (QTS).		