INTO HEADSHIP
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These professional programmes are designed for aspiring school principals and school leaders in Scotland to enable them to attain the Standard for Headship (GTCS, 2012). Through professional pedagogies, they focus specifically on enabling you to develop a strategic approach to educational change.

What will I get from this programme?

- The programmes are designed to enable you to develop your personal capacity and capability to lead change for improvement and work with your school and its community to realise its strategic vision.
- You will have opportunities to engage directly with policy makers through guest lectures by expert practitioners and leading researchers.
- There is emphasis on the interrelationship between professional and academic perspectives, practice and theory, and between the different sites of learning/practice, in order that individual professional learning is interconnected with collective school improvement.

The model of learning embedded within the programme is the development of theory in practice. You will learn through:
- reflection on/in practice
- experiential learning
- cognitive development
- collaborative learning.

Why Glasgow

Accredited by the General Teaching Council Scotland, these programmes align with the Framework for Educational Leadership and are part of the national programme for the specialist qualification for headship in Scotland.

Scotland’s national qualification for Headship, recognised by Education Scotland, GTCS and the Scottish College for Educational Leadership.

Programme structure

Into Headship
You will take two courses which are delivered via blended learning combining face-to-face sessions with online sessions.

Courses
- Developing as a strategic leader
- Leading strategic change.

In Headship
On successful completion of the PgCert Into Headship and on appointment to a headship post, you have the opportunity to undertake the PgDip In Headship, which will incorporate your certificate courses. You will undertake two core courses and one optional course.

Core courses
- Pursuing equity and excellence in practice
- Shaping professional identity and practice: using critical reflection in the transition to headship.

Career prospects

The programmes aim to ensure aspirant head teachers are supported to develop and continue to build the necessary knowledge, skills and understanding required of senior leaders. The qualifications are aimed at those teachers whose next post will likely be that of a head teacher, within two to three years, or recently appointed to a head teacher post.

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Entry requirements
2.1 Honours degree or equivalent qualification in education. You also need to have been approved by the Scottish College of Educational Leadership for admission to the national programme. For In Headship, you also need to have completed the PgCert Into Headship and be in a head teacher position.

How to apply
To make an application to the University of Glasgow, go to: glasgow.ac.uk/pg/apply
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