

# Course Specification

PG Cert Leadership of School Mental Health and Wellbeing

**Course Code: PSMHW** 

2024/25

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# Postgraduate Certificate Leadership of School Mental Health and Wellbeing (PSMHW)

# Applicant Facing Course Specification for 2024/25 Postgraduate Entrants

# **Confirmed at November 2023**

#### **General Information**

Award Postgraduate Certificate Leadership of School Mental Health and

Wellbeing

Contained awards N/A

Awarding Body Leeds Beckett University

Level of Qualification and Credits Level 7 of the Framework for Higher Education Qualifications, with

60 credit points at Level 7 of the Higher Education Credit

Framework for England

Course Lengths and Standard

**Timescales** 

Start dates will be notified to students via their offer letter. The length of the course is confirmed below and modes of delivery will be confirmed prior to the start date in line with Government

guidance:

Part Time Study PT delivery is usually at half the intensity of the FT equivalent

1 year (part time)

course, although there may be flexibility to increase your pace of study to shorten the overall course duration. Some modules may be delivered in a different sequence to that defined within this information set but the modules offered within each level are consistent. Please note that the work placement option is not

generally available to PT students.

**Location(s) of Delivery**Headingley Campus and Distance Learning

**Entry Requirements** Admissions criteria are confirmed in your offer letter. Details of

how the University recognises prior learning and supports credit transfer are located here:

https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/student-information/course-

information/recognition-of-prior-learning/

Admissions enquiries may be directed to:

AdmissionsEnquiries@leedsbeckett.ac.uk.

**Course Fees** 

Course fees and any additional course costs are confirmed in your offer letter. Fees enquiries may be directed to

Fees@leedsbeckett.ac.uk.

#### **Timetable Information**

Timetables for Semester 1 will be made available to students during induction week via:

- i) The Student Portal (MyBeckett)
- ii) The Leeds Beckett app

Any difficulties relating to timetabled sessions may be discussed with your Course Administrator.

# Policies, Standards and Regulations (www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/academicregulations)

There are no additional or non-standard regulations which relate to your course.

# **Key Contacts**

Your Course Director Dr Sarah Swann

**Your Academic Advisor** To be confirmed upon commencement of the course.

Your Course Administrator <u>education@leedsbeckett.ac.uk</u>

# **Professional Accreditation or Recognition Associated with the Course**

# **Professional Body**

There are no professional bodies associated with this course.

#### **Course Overview**

#### **Aims**

The aims of the programme are to:

- 1. The confidence, knowledge, independence of thought and skill to evaluate their school's current approach to mental health, using a sound grasp of the evidence base
- 2. The understanding and application of theory and recent education and health policy to develop and implement a sophisticated, original and highly effective school mental health improvement plan
- 3. Critical enquiry skills to confidently evaluate and understand global best practice when it comes to school mental health support

# **Course Learning Outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate knowledge, originality and increased confidence in combining skills as leaders of mental health across their school
- 2 Demonstrate critical evaluation skills to reflect on current school practice and identify innovative and sophisticated solutions which improve mental health within their school
- 3 Demonstrate multidisciplinary specialist theoretical knowledge in the field of promoting whole school approach to positive mental health and supporting student resilience

# **Teaching and Learning Activities**

### **Summary**

The programme will develop communities of practice through face-to-face and distance teaching and learning. Most modules will utilise a conference style event for group discussion, presentations, feedback and collaborative learning and will be led by colleagues with relevant professional practice and research expertise.

All modules require senior leadership role in a school, either primary or secondary. The course will involve students critically reflecting upon their professional practice, the current and potential activities within their school, their learning on the course and the interconnectedness of a community of practice.

The VLE (MyBeckett) will be used in the following ways:

- As a repository for learning materials and resources;
- As a forum for discussions;
- As a means of feedback and formal assessment.

For Distance Learners, the VLE will be shaped through the involvement of the University's Distance Learning Unit to ensure a consistent and interactive approach.

# **Use of Blended Learning**

This course will be offered both as face-to-face and distance. The aim is to create learning communities for both modes of delivery. Given the busy professional roles undertaken by students on the course, the development of online materials and communities for distance learners will also facilitate blended learning opportunities for face-to-face students.

#### **Your Modules**

This information is correct for students progressing through the programme within standard timescales. Option modules listed are indicative of a typical year. There may be some variance in the availability of option modules. Students who are required to undertake repeat study may be taught alternate modules which meet the overall course learning outcomes. Details of module delivery will be provided in your timetable.

# **Level 7 Core Modules**

Level 7 Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)
A whole school approach to mental health A (20 credits)	Υ	A whole school approach to mental health B (20 credits)	Y
		Leading student resilience across the school (20 credits)	Υ

# **Assessment Balance and Scheduled Learning and Teaching Activities**

The assessment balance and overall workload associated with this course are calculated from core modules and typical option module choices undertaken by students on the course. They have been reviewed and confirmed as representative by the Course Director but applicants should note that the specific option choices students make may influence both assessment and workload balance.

A standard module equates to 200 notional learning hours, which may be comprised of teaching, learning and assessment, any embedded placement activities and independent study. Modules may have more than one component of assessment.

#### **Assessment**

On this course students will be assessed through a broadly even mix of coursework and presentations.

#### Workload

Overall Workload for the Course				
Teaching, Learning and Assessment	60 hours			
Independent Study	360 hours			
Placement	180 hours			

# **Learning Support**

If you have a question or a problem relating to your course, your Course Administrator is there to help you. Course Administrators work closely with academic staff and can make referrals to teaching staff or to specialist professional services as appropriate. They can give you a confirmation of attendance letter, and a

transcript. You may also like to contact your Course Rep or the Students' Union Advice team for additional support with course-related questions.

# **Student Services**

If you have any questions about life at University, call into our Student Services Centre at either campus or contact Student Advice directly. This team, consisting of trained officers and advisers are available to support you throughout your time here. They will make sure you have access to and are aware of the support, specialist services, and opportunities our University provides. They also work on a wide range of projects throughout the year all designed to enhance your student experience and ensure you make the most of your time with us. Student Advice are located in the Student Services Centre in the Leslie Silver Building at City Campus and on the ground floor of the Priestley Building at Headingley Campus. The team can also be contacted via email at <a href="mailto:studentadvice@leedsbeckett.ac.uk">studentadvice@leedsbeckett.ac.uk</a>, telephone on 0113 812 3000, or by accessing our online chat link, available on the student homepage.

# **Support and opportunities**

Within MyBeckett you will see two tabs (Support and Opportunities) where you can find online information and resources for yourselves. The Support tab gives you access to details of services available to give you academic and personal support. These include Library Services, the Students' Union, Money advice, Disability advice and support, Wellbeing, International Student Services and Accommodation. There is also an A-Z of Support Services, and access to online appointments/registration.

The Opportunities tab is the place to explore the options you have for jobs, work placements, volunteering, and a wide range of other opportunities. For example, you can find out here how to get help with your CV, prepare for an interview, get a part-time job or voluntary role, take part in an international project, or join societies closer to home.