

## Course Information Sheet for entry in 2017-18

### MSc in Education (Comparative and International Education)

#### About the course

The MSc Education (Comparative and International Education) offers you an understanding of the factors that shape the development and trajectories of educational systems in different parts of the world and the research skills to compare policy choices and critically evaluate the major debates in the delivery of public education.

This course comprises three core papers that cover inter alia the theoretical, historical and philosophical underpinnings of the field of comparative and international education, the interdisciplinary nature and impact of the research in comparative education, and the political nature of governance and policy choices.

In addition to three core papers, two courses in research methods are given, and you will also choose one assessed option paper from a selection offered by academic staff across the department.

The teaching style adopted is usually a combination of tutor and student input, and is reliant on your reading of key texts, preparation of arguments, responses to a presentation and/or analysis of documents and various group activities. There is a programme of visiting speakers from around the world. In February each year the course moves to Paris for a week for seminars at UNESCO, the OECD and the Institute for International Educational Planning (IIEP).

The course is assessed through one unseen three-hour examination paper, written assignments and a research dissertation.

#### Changes to courses

The University will seek to deliver each course in accordance with the descriptions set out above. However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make changes in course provision, either before or after registration. For further information, please see the University's Terms and Conditions.

#### Expected length of course

12 months

#### Annual fees for entry in 2017-2018

Fee Status	Tuition fee	College fee	Total annual fees
Home/EU (including islands)	£8,715	£3,021	£11,736
Overseas	£16,770	£3,021	£19,791

The fees shown above are the annual tuition and college fees for this course for entry in the stated academic year; for courses lasting longer than one year, please be aware that fees will usually increase annually. Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the University's Terms and Conditions.

Tuition and college fees are payable each year for the duration of your fee liability (your fee liability is the length of time for which you are required to pay tuition and college fees).



**Additional cost information**

There are no compulsory elements of this course that entail additional costs beyond fees and living costs. However, as part of your course requirements, you may need to choose a dissertation, a project or a thesis topic. Please note that, depending on your choice of topic and the research required to complete it, you may incur additional expenses, such as travel expenses, research expenses, and field trips. You will need to meet these additional costs, although you may be able to apply for small grants from your department and/or college to help you cover some of these expenses. For MSc Education (Comparative and International Education), you will be required to spend three days in Paris as part of your course, at a cost of approximately £200 for travel, accommodation and living expenses. The department may be able to offer a contribution in some circumstances to offset these costs.

## Living costs

**In addition to your fees, you will need to ensure that you have adequate funds to support your living costs for the duration of your course.**

The likely living costs for 2017-18 are published below. These costs are based on a single, full-time graduate student, with no dependants, living in Oxford. We provide the cost per month so you can multiply up by the number of months you expect to live in Oxford.

	Likely living costs for 1 month		Likely living costs for 9 months		Likely living costs for 12 months	
	Lower range	Upper range	Lower range	Upper range	Lower range	Upper range
<b>Food</b>	£250	£350	£2,250	£3,150	£3,000	£4,000
<b>Accommodation</b>	£538	£619	£4,844	£5,569	£6,459	£7,425
<b>Personal items</b>	£115	£255	£1,035	£2,295	£1,380	£3,060
<b>Social activities</b>	£40	£119	£358	£1,073	£477	£1,431
<b>Study costs</b>	£38	£83	£338	£743	£451	£991
<b>Other</b>	£22	£45	£196	£407	£261	£543
<b>Total</b>	£1,002	£1,471	£9,021	£13,237	£12,028	£17,649

When planning your finances for any future years of study in Oxford beyond 2017-18, you should allow for an estimated increase in living expenses of 2% each year.

More information about how these figures have been calculated is available at [www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/fees-and-funding/living-costs](http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/fees-and-funding/living-costs).

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