

## Professional Masters Programme Awards in Educational Assessment

**This is a flexible learning course designed for remote professional working adults that gives access to personal supervised tutorial support and self-study materials.**

Educational assessment is something which is constantly in the news. There are issues surrounding the authenticity of coursework, the perceived “dumbing down” of examination content and concerns about the accuracy of examiners’ marking of public examinations.

This course looks at these issues and more.

**EA7001:** The first module for 15 credits at either (H) Level 6 or (M) Level 7 looks at:

- the development of examinations since the mid-nineteenth century
- the roles of government, awarding bodies and regulator
- issues surrounding coursework
- how examinations are conducted

**EA7002:** The second module for 45 credits at Level 7 will cover:

- New qualifications at GCSE and GCE level
- Introduction of the new Specialised Diplomas
- Good practice in summative and formative assessment
- The role of the Chartered Educational Assessor.

Successful completion of this unit will provide the participant with an opportunity to apply to become a **Member of the Chartered Institute of Educational Assessors** and to use the post-nominal letters **MCIEA**.

**EA7003:** The final award specific module for 30 credits at Level 7 looks at the future of educational assessment and provides opportunities for students to undertake a small-scale research study.

Students can exit with a PG Cert, PG Dip or MA/MTeach with 60, 120 or 180 credits respectively, but need to first complete research modules and a dissertation for the final 90 credits if they want to complete the MA or MTeach – see CPD website below.

The Professional Masters Programme fees vary according to the academic year and status of the applicant. There are substantial discounts for qualified teachers with DfES/DCSF QTS, as the PMP is recognized by the TDA for schools as part of its official Postgraduate Professional Development (PPD) funded programme.

The schedule of module fees for the PMP are available from the CPD website at:  
<http://www.bathspa.ac.uk/schools/education/cpd/default.asp>

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