The SEN Coordinator (SENCo) is a key role in every school and the full range of SENCo responsibilities have been set out in the SEND Code of Practice (DFE/DoH 2015).

For SENCOs new to the role, it is mandatory to achieve the National Award for SEN Coordination within three years of their appointment.

Oxford Brookes University leads the National Award for SEN Coordination in Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire, working in partnership with both the OXSIT team and the Bucks SEN Team to deliver training of the highest standard.

The National Award for SEN Coordination is a Masters level, Post Graduate Certificate (60 credits). The 3 modules of study comprise a notional 24 hours per module of teaching activity which will include twilight, full day and online learning. Much of the work will be built around practical case studies/projects carried out in your own school.

Students will also complete a Professional Portfolio that illustrates how the TDA’s 49 Learning Outcomes of SEN Coordination have been met effectively.

It is anticipated that most SENCOs will achieve the National Award within 18 months.

COURSE DELIVERY

The taught sessions are held at Harcourt Hill Campus, Oxford on Wednesdays 4-7pm or Berryfields Training Centre, Aylesbury, Bucks, on Tuesdays 4-7pm. Study days also feature as part of the course and take place once per term at Harcourt Hill Campus, Oxford.

Assessment is 100% coursework consisting of critical essays, paired presentations and practical projects. The assessment focus of each module can be negotiated to meet your particular interests and, where possible, will tie into the work you are already doing in school.

The National Award for SEN Coordination at Oxford Brookes University is led by Dr David Colley who is an experienced SEN teacher, researcher and author.

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Course cost for 2018–19
£2,210

Entry Requirements
All applicants must have Qualified Teachers Status (QTS) and must have access to an appropriate educational setting that supports their full participation in the Award. The support of the Head teacher and/or Chair of governors (or equivalent) is also required.

Interested parties that do not have QTS may wish to consider alternative SEN qualifications that are available through Oxford Brookes University www.brookes.ac.uk

SEN Pathways
The 60 Masters credits secured through the National Award for SEN Coordination can form the basis for a full MA in Education from Oxford Brookes University. A second year that includes two additional SEN modules plus a Research Methods module will secure students an additional 60 credits. With a final year research project and Thesis (60 credits) you will have 180 credits and an MA Education.

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