



Call for submitting applications of postgraduate candidates for academic year 2016-2017.

The Joint MA “Education and Human Rights” lasts two years and is operating since 1994-95 at the Faculty of Early Childhood Education (FECE) of the University of Athens and at University College London (UCL), Institute of Education (IoE).

Its operation is based on the Memorandum of Agreement/Protocol of Collaboration between the University of Athens and the University College London, Institute of Education (2014), on stipulations of Law 3685/2008 (The Official Gazette 148/6.7.2008 A’) and on Ministerial Decision 140547/B7 (The Official Gazette 2464/16.09.2014 B’). The Call is based on articles 7.1. & 7.2 of the Memorandum of Agreement between the two Universities, on article 10 of Law 3685/2008 (The Official Gazette 148/6.7.2008 A’), as well as the Programme Governing Board Decision 3rd/10/03/2016.

For the academic year 2016-2017 thirty (30) candidates will be selected:

- Fifteen students (15) will study at the University of Athens and the University College London, Institute of Education and
- Fifteen students (15) will study at the University of Athens

Each candidate can apply only to one of the two options mentioned above.

Graduates of Greek universities or graduates of foreign universities that are equivalent to the Greek universities, as well as graduates from Technological Educational Institutes of related areas of study, are eligible to participate in the selection process.

The Joint MA “Education and Human Rights” confers degrees in the field of education sciences according to the stipulations of the F.12/547/139457/C Ministerial Decree (The Governmental Gazette 2462/16-09-2014 B’). Therefore, graduates establish the professional rights derived from it.

A. Degrees

The Joint MA “Education and Human Rights” leads to the awarding of post graduate degrees as follows:

a) Joint MA degree in Education and Human Rights to the enrolled students who study and complete successfully the required essays/assignments at the University of Athens and the UCL, Institute of Education. The degree is conferred by the two collaborative institutions, the Faculty ECE and the UCL, IoE.

b) Separate MA degree in Education and Human Rights to the students that enrol, study and complete successfully essays/assignments at the University of Athens. The degree is conferred by the Faculty ECE with reference to the collaborating Institute.

B. Candidates

The candidates, after being informed about the goals, the subject, the structure and operation of the Joint MA (Student Handbook and Study Regulations – faculty website www.ecd.uoa.gr) have to submit a portfolio until **13/05/2016** via regular mail (registered letter dated until **13/05/2016**) to this address: University of Athens, Faculty of Early Childhood Education, Education and Human Rights Support Office, 5 Stadiou str, 7th floor, Room 719 (to Ms Ntelikou), Postal Code: 10562, Athens.

C. Supporting documents

1. Application forms which can be provided by the Secretary of the Faculty of Early Childhood Education, or can be downloaded from the website: **www.ecd.uoa.gr**.
2. Curriculum vitae (including a small size picture), which should include studies, teaching, professional as well as research experience, computer use ability, scientific and social qualifications.
3. Two recent reference letters, preferably by University professors.
4. A brief typed personal statement (one page) in which the applicant elaborates the reasons and motives for applying to the Programme.
5. A copy/ies of the first degree certificate and appropriate validation if necessary, accompanied by a transcript of courses.
6. A certificate confirming equivalence to Greek Titles by the National Academic Recognition Information Center (DOATAP) for those who have degrees from foreign universities
7. A validated certificate of proficiency in English, and for foreign applicants a certificate of proficiency in Greek. The acceptable certificates of proficiency in English (according to the Official Gazette 7/29.10.2015 and Annex E Supreme Council for Civil Personnel Selection-ASEP), are:
 - CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH (CPE) by CAMBRIDGE University.
 - BULATS English Language Test, with a gpa of 90-100 by CAMBRIDGE University.
 - INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TESTING SYSTEM (IELTS) by University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate (UCLES) – The British Council-IDP Education Australia IELTS Australia, with a gpa above 7.5.
 - CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH by MICHIGAN University,
 - LONDON TESTS OF ENGLISH LEVEL 5 –PROFICIENT COMMUNICATION– by EDEXCEL, or PEARSON TEST OF ENGLISH GENERAL LEVEL 5 –PROFICIENT COMMUNICATION– of EDEXCEL or EDEXCEL LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE IN ESOL INTERNATIONAL(CEF C2)
 - ISE IV INTEGRATED SKILLS IN ENGLISH LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE IN ESOL INTERNATIONAL by TRINITY COLLEGE LONDON
 - CITY & GUILDS LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE IN ESOL INTERNATIONAL (reading, writing and listening) –MASTERY–
and
CITY & GUILDS LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE IN ESOL INTERNATIONAL (Spoken) –MASTERY– (they are submitted together as proof of excellent knowledge)
 - or
CITY & GUILDS CERTIFICATE IN INTERNATIONAL ESOL–MASTERY–
and
CITY & GUILDS CERTIFICATE IN INTERNATIONAL SPOKEN ESOL –MASTERY– (they are submitted together as proof of excellent knowledge)
 - EDI Level 3 Certificate in ESOL International JETSET Level 7 (CEF C2) or PEARSON EDI Level 3 Certificate in ESOL International (CEF C2)

- PEARSON LCCI EFB LEVEL 4 (Units: Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking, with grade «Distinction” or “Credit”)
- OCNW Certificate in ESOL International at Level 3 (Common European Framework equivalent level C2). (until 31/8/2009)
- Ascentis Level 3 Certificate in ESOL International (CEF C2)
- ESB Level 3 Certificate in ESOL International All Modes (Council of Europe Level C2)
- Michigan State University – Certificate of English Language Proficiency (MSU – CELP): CEF C2
- Test of Interactive English, C2 Level
- NOCN Level 3 Certificate in ESOL International (C2)
- AIM Awards Level 3 Certificate in ESOL International (C2) (Ενότητες: Listening, Reading, Writing, Speaking)
- LRN Level 3 Certificate in ESOL International (CEF C2)

In case of candidates that do not acquire one of the certificates mentioned above, their level of proficiency in English will be examined in an examination held at the Faculty ECE.

8. Publications and certification of teaching, research or professional experience (*if any*)

9. A solemn statement of the candidates ascertaining that:

a) they can fully respond to the requirements of mandatory attendance according to the Student Handbook and Study Regulations and this call and they are able to cover the cost of their studies, and

b) they meet the necessary requirements for studying at the UCL, Institute of Education, which is mandatory, and they are able to cover the cost (***for the Joint MA only***).

All supporting documents are not returned to the candidates.

Candidates are also required to complete and submit the questionnaire attached to this Call along with the supporting documents.

D. Selection of Candidates

The selection process is structured in two phases: during *phase one*, all applicants’ portfolios are examined by the Student Recruitment Committee. Candidates that are selected to continue at *phase two*, are expected to have a certificate of proficiency in English. Candidates who do not acquire sufficient qualification of proficiency in English are obliged to sit an exam in English language.

Candidates who successfully pass the first phase are invited to be interviewed by the Student Recruitment Committee. Candidates applying for the Joint MA programme that involves study at the UCL, IoE will be interviewed in both Greek and English.

Applicants will be selected on the basis of the overall consideration of:

- Educational qualifications and performance in previous studies, especially in subject areas and course-units relevant to the Programme
- Relevant publications, research or professional experience
- Personal statement and letters of recommendation
- Greek and English language efficient use and understanding
- The overall candidates’ scientific adequacy, academic, professional and social activity, incentives and interest in the subject area of the MA.

E. Student Requirements and Tuition Fees

Post-graduate students should meet certain requirements regarding their knowledge background. For this purpose, the Programme Governing Board may assign specific undergraduate course-units/modules at the Faculty ECE or the study of additional literacy as prerequisite for participating in the Postgraduate Programme.

In order to be awarded with the Joint MA degree students have to successfully complete all the necessary requirements with regards to modules, interdisciplinary seminars and dissertation as foreseen in the Student Handbook and Study Regulations. Attendance of modules, meetings and seminars is mandatory. Insufficient attendance constitutes a reason for dismissal of a certain module or seminar.

Post graduates students contribute to the operation of the Joint MA by paying registration and tuition fees as follows:

a. The students enrolled in the Joint Programme, during their first year of studies, have to pay a registration fee of 100 euros at the University of Athens and the tuition fees foreseen at the UCL, Institute of Education

During their second year of studies students have to pay a registration fee of 100 euros and a tuition fee of 900 euros at the University of Athens.

b. The students of the Separate Programme have to pay a registration fee of 100 euros and a tuition fee of 900 euros per year of studies at the University of Athens.

The beginning of the academic year 2016-2017 is the 12th of September 2016.

Information is provided

- a. at the FECE website: www.ecd.uoa.gr
- b. by email: pmsteapi@gmail.com
- c. by telephone: 210-368 9312 from Monday to Friday (10:00 am – 14:00 pm)

The names of the successful candidates will be announced on the internet (DIAYGEIA & the Faculty ECE webpage).

The Chair of the Programme Governing Board

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