



Independent Study Module (ISM) – Leadership Development

Gain accreditation for your leadership development work.

The Independent Study Module (ISM) is a self-directed leadership development study module which provides an opportunity to gain Masters level accreditation for your learning and the development of your leadership skills while undertaking a leadership development programme with LCLL.

Details of the Module

The module attracts 30 credits towards one of our Masters degrees in Leadership, for example, the MA Leadership. To gain a full Masters degree, you need to accrue a total of 180 credits.

The assignment for the module is flexible and designed to meet your personal needs and presented as a two-part 5000 word essay.

Part A (1500) words

Your Learning about Leadership

- A critical reflection on your learning throughout the leadership programme.
- What this means for your leadership in context of your education organisation.
- The impact on your own development as a leader.
- A reflective commentary on how you've applied your learning about leadership
- An analysis of how your leadership practice has developed.
- The impact you've had on colleagues / your team / learners and your evidence for this.



Part B (3500) words

Connecting your learning to wider reading

- Linking your learning on the programme to key readings about leadership, leading learning, leading change, leading people.
- A critical evaluation of the relationship between your education context and what research tells you about effective leadership.

Your assignment will be negotiated with the ISM programme leader to ensure it meets M level assessment criteria. Guidance on preparing and submitting your assignment for assessment will be provided by your tutor and placed on our VLE. We will also provide you with a reading list.

The Independent Study Module is designed to provide you with the opportunity to reflect on your experiences on an LCLL development programme, deepen your learning through further reading and make both personal and organisational recommendations for how leadership leads to institutional improvement within a changing educational policy context.

Further details

How to apply

For further details about how to enrol please contact:

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If you would like to study this module as a part of the MA Leadership, or as an option module for another MA or as a stand-alone module please contact:

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