**EDUCATION SYMPOSIUM:**

**CREATING A WORLD CLASS TEACHING SYSTEM**



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* **Children and Childhood** (Professor Rachel Holmes)
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* **Teacher Education: Leadership, Curriculum and Inclusion** (Professor Moira Hulme)
* **Theory and Methodology** (Professor Maggie MacLure).

**TEACHER EDUCATION: LEADERSHIP, CURRICULUM & INCLUSION**

**RESEARCH GROUP**

Research Leader: Professor Moira Hulme

The Teacher Education, Leadership & Curriculum research group brings together researchers with an interest in policy and practice in the field of professional learning, educational leadership and inclusive education. The group is a hub for the development of research-informed professional programmes at Manchester Metropolitan’s Faculty of Education. Our members work with practitioners and policy makers in primary and secondary education, further and higher education. Our research encompasses initial teacher education (pre-service), the early career phase and career-long professional learning. The group’s research programme has five strands: (i) research on policy; (ii) inclusive education for diverse learners; (iii) pedagogical innovation; (iv) educational leadership and management; and, (v) educational assessment. We welcome and maintain active collaborations with schools, colleges, local authorities, Teaching Schools and education consortia; and participate in regional, national and international networks to promote high quality research *in* and *for* teacher education and the wider education workforce.

Areas of interest:

* International policies and practices in the preparation, induction and continuing development of teachers
* Research-led approaches to inclusive learning in professional development
* Developing and evaluating research-informed pedagogical practices
* The role of values in educational leadership and management
* Use and value of different approaches to assessment and its implications for policy