

Reconnect to Education: Preparation for Higher Education at UCL Institute of Education, 20 Bedford Way, London WC1H 0AL (Central London)

- ❖ Opportunities for London based Refugees and Asylum Seekers wishing to enrol into Higher Education or to participate in a Teacher Training (PGCE) programme
- ❖ The Programme will cover fees and travel cost and contribute towards learning materials

Key aims of the Programme

- ❖ To support progression into Undergraduate, Masters or Doctorate-level study at UCL IOE, including Teacher Training (PGCE) programmes
- ❖ To develop knowledge and understanding of how written and spoken academic texts are developed in Higher Education and for professional roles within teaching and education
- ❖ To develop literacy in cultural practices in contemporary British culture and develop academic communicative confidence to make links with students' own culture and community groups
- ❖ To develop an awareness of the organization and characteristics of the British educational system

The Programme includes an introduction to

- ❖ Critical Reading in Higher Education
- ❖ Academic Writing in Higher Education
- ❖ Academic Presentation in Higher Education/ Professional Presentation
- ❖ Information Technology in educational contexts, developing competencies in the
 - use of virtual learning environments – Moodle and associated applications
 - use of computer labs to develop competencies in PowerPoint (and similar applications)
- ❖ Intercultural learning and understanding
- ❖ Education in Britain

Module structure

- ❖ The Module will run over 10 weeks during the autumn, spring and summer terms (enrolment will be for one term only); each session will be 3 hours; there will be 3 cohorts, each of 20 students

Eligibility – You should be able to show evidence that you:

- ❖ have a recognised academic qualification enabling you to enter Higher Education
- ❖ can speak and write an appropriate level of English
- ❖ are an *asylum seeker or someone with a refugee background* (this includes those who have been recognised as refugees under the UN Geneva Convention; have been granted Humanitarian Protection and Discretionary Leave to Remain (formerly known as Exceptional Leave to Remain); have obtained Indefinite Leave to Remain; or have been refugees but who now have full UK citizenship)
- ❖ are a highly motivated person committed to making good use of this opportunity

How to apply - Please complete the attached Preliminary Information Sheet (PIS) and email it back to: theodros@reconnectonline.org.uk

UCL Institute of Education (IOE) is a world-leading centre for research and teaching in education and social science. Ranked number one for education worldwide in the 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 QS World University Rankings, the IOE was awarded the 2015 Queen's Anniversary Prize. In 2014, the Institute secured 'outstanding' grades from Ofsted on every criterion for its initial teacher training, across primary, secondary and further education programmes.

Reconnect is a London based not-for-profit organisation that supports unemployed/ underemployed professional refugees; creating opportunities to return to their professions by organising training courses, work experience and one-to-one advice and guidance; creating opportunities for refugees to contribute with their skills to development in developing countries; drawing attention to the causes and consequences of displacement from developing countries and transforming its impact.

Computer Aid International works to overcome discrimination and disadvantage through the use of ICT