Entry Requirements
- Degree/professional equivalent
- Evidence of recent academic study
- Two years post-qualification/registration experience
- Access to a learning environment that offers experience with palliative care patients and families.

Contact details
If you are interested in this course of study we would like to hear from you.

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How to find St Columba’s Hospice and the Centre for Education & Research
St Columba’s Hospice
15 Boswall Road
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EH5 3RW
The Centre for Education & Research is situated next door to the main Hospice.

Parking
Please use the Hospice car park if there is space. There is a small daily cost for parking. If the car park is full, please be considerate of our neighbours when parking in the surrounding area. There is a bicycle rack in the grounds which we ask all cyclists to use.

Bus Services
8 and 14: nearest stop Granton Road
16: nearest stop Lower Granton Road
23: nearest stop Lennox Row

You can apply online using the online application process at
www.qmu.ac.uk

The University reserves the right to make any necessary change to the course. The programme of study will only be offered when there are sufficient numbers to make it viable.

MSc Person-centred Practice (Palliative Care)
For health and social care practitioners working with patients and families requiring palliative and end of life care.
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This interdisciplinary programme has been set up in partnership with Queen Margaret University and is part of the MSc Person-centred Practice Framework. The programme is designed for experienced practitioners from all disciplines involved in the care of patients and their families with advanced progressive disease in adult, children or neonatal services, in either hospital, community, care home or hospice settings.

It addresses palliative and end of life care for those with malignant and non-malignant disease. The programme is:
- interdisciplinary
- flexible
- relevant to your practice.

Interdisciplinary Learning

Palliative care is interdisciplinary and therefore requires interdisciplinary education. The programme has been planned by an interdisciplinary team drawn from hospice, hospital and community and is relevant whether you are an allied health professional, a chaplain, a doctor, nurse or social worker. You may be in a post involving clinical practice, management, education and/or research.

Flexibility

This modular, part-time programme is planned so you can do:
- individual modules for Continuing Professional Development
- a Postgraduate Certificate (4 modules)
- a Postgraduate Diploma (8 modules)
- a full MSc (8 modules plus work-based dissertation).

Each module has a credit rating of 15 credits at Scottish Credit and Qualification Framework (SCQF) level 11.

The cost of a single masters module in 2018/19 is £550.

Relevance to Practice

All students complete three core specialist modules:
- Supporting the Patient and Family in Palliative Care
- Developing Advanced Communication Skills in Palliative Care
- Working with People with Complex Pain and Symptoms - core for those in a clinical role
- Shadows and Horizons: Advancing Palliative Care Practice - core for students in a non-clinical role.

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Students with a clinical role will be advised to complete:
- Shadows and Horizons: Advancing Palliative Care Practice

however, students may choose one 15 credit module from the MSc Person-centred Practice Framework array

Students with a non-clinical role require one elective module:
- One 15 credit module from the MSc Person-centred Practice Framework array.

All students complete with a focus on palliative care the MSc Person-centred Practice Framework core modules:
- Theory and Practice of Person-centred Health and Social Care (30 credits)
- Leading Professional Practice (15 credits)
- Making Judgements and Decisions in Practice (15 credits).

The Postgraduate Diploma Person-centred Practice (Palliative Care) is attained through successful completion of the above modules.

The MSc Person-centred Practice (Palliative Care) is attained through the successful completion of the above 8 modules plus the Dissertation Project (60 credits).

Collaborative Partnership

St Columba’s Hospice and Queen Margaret University have worked in partnership for more than 20 years providing a range of courses.

The specialist modules for this programme are taught at St Columba’s Hospice Centre for Education & Research. Classes for the MSc Person-centred Practice modules and the Dissertation Project module are held at Queen Margaret University. The Hospice teaching team work with the teaching team at QMU to support students during their course of study.

Queen Margaret University

Queen Margaret University is a major provider of courses in the areas of healthcare, business and enterprise, media and communication, social sciences and drama.

The University’s purpose-built campus on the east of Edinburgh opened in Autumn 2007. The campus is a vibrant, academic village with high-tech buildings and attractive landscaped spaces, featuring an innovative learning resource centre at the heart of the development, which combines library and IT facilities. All facilities are available to students on this programme.

St Columba’s Hospice

St Columba’s Hospice in Edinburgh opened in 1977 and has cared for thousands of patients and families with palliative care needs in its inpatient, day hospice and community services. The Hospice has always had an active commitment to education as a key component of its clinical service.

There is a strong ethos of interdisciplinary teamwork at the Hospice and, therefore, many members of the Hospice interdisciplinary team contribute to the teaching.

The Centre for Education & Research has a purpose-built lecture theatre, seminar rooms, a library and a computer suite. The Centre for Education & Research enjoys panoramic views across the Firth of Forth.