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**QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHERS IN NURSERY,
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- Education and Library Boards;
- Council for Catholic Maintained Schools;
- Principals and Boards of Governors of all Grant-Aided Schools;
- Northern Ireland Council for Integrated Education.

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The attached circular updates the guidance contained in Circular 1997/11 on the approved courses for teaching pupils with visual impairment.

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SPECIAL SCHOOLS**

- 1.** Annex B of Circular 1997/11, which lists the approved courses to be completed for a teacher to be eligible to teach pupils with visual or hearing impairment, has been revised to include a new course; namely, the Master of Science - Teaching Visually Impaired Learners.
- 2.** Page 7 of the existing Circular should be deleted and attached page inserted.

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<u>APPROVED COURSES FOR TEACING PUPILS WITH VISUAL OR HEARING IMPAIRMENT</u>		
VISUAL IMPAIRMENT		
University/College	Course	Study
University of Birmingham Faculty of Education Ring Road North PO Box 363 BIRMINGHAM B15 2TT	Bachelor of Philosophy in Education (Special Education visually handicapped) Diploma in Special Education (Visually handicapped)	One year full-time One year full-time and distance learning
The Queen's University of Belfast 69-71 University Street BELFAST BT7 1HL	Master of Science Teaching Visually Impaired Learners	Two years part-time
HEARING IMPAIRMENT		
University/College	Course	Study
University of Birmingham Faculty of Education Ring Road North PO Box 363 BIRMINGHAM B15 2TT	Diploma in Advanced Studies Special Education (hearing impaired)	One year full-time or two years part-time
University of Manchester Department of Audiology Education of the deaf and speech pathology MANCHESTER M13 9PL	Diploma in Advanced Studies of Education for hearing impaired children Master of Education (hearing impaired)	One year full-time or two years part-time 2/3 years part-time course
Oxford Brookes University Gypsy Lane Campus Headington OXFORD OX3 0BP	CNAA Certificate in Education for the teaching of hearing impaired children	One year full-time