

Master of Research Management Studies

Programme Requirements

Finance and Management - MSc	
100 credits from Module List: SS5101 - SS5104, MN5001, MN5002 and	
20 credits from Module List: MN5311, MN5401, MN4521, MN5501, MN5510 - MN5511, MN5513, MN5515, MN5554, MN5560, MN5604, MN5607-MN5608, MN5611, MN5821 and	
60 credits from Module List: MN5497 - MN5499	

Compulsory modules:

SS5101 Being a Social Scientist				
SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester:	1
Planned timetable:	3.00 - 5.00 pm Fri			
<p>Through a series of interactive seminars this two-part module explores the fundamental skills required by all social scientists. In part one, the module will focus on how to design and produce a research dissertation. Assessment will be in the form of a critical essay that analyses the research design of a selection of papers. In part two, issues of professional development (e.g. ethics, careers, grant writing) will be addressed. Assessment will be in the form of a class test in which you will review and comment on two research proposals.</p>				
Programme module type:	<p>Compulsory for MRes in Human Geography / Sustainable Development. Compulsory for various MRes Programmes outwith the School. Optional for Research Methods in Psychology (MSc), for Sustainable Development and Environmental Economics (MSc), for Sustainable Development (MSc), for Sustainable Development and Energy (MSc). Optional for various other MRes Programmes</p>			
Learning and teaching methods and delivery:	Weekly contact: 2-hour seminar.			
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%			
Module coordinator:	Dr M Kesby			

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SS5102 Philosophy and Methodology of the Social Sciences				
SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester:	2
Planned timetable:	3.00 pm - 5.00 pm Wed			
This seminar-based module will introduce you to the basic theoretical approaches in the social sciences, encourage you to make connections between the methodological and epistemological issues involved in conducting social scientific research, and inspire you to reflect critically your own experience. The module will cover modern philosophy's historical evolution, positivism, feminism, critical theory and post-structuralism among other topics. Assessment will involve a one short review and one longer essay.				
Programme module type:	Compulsory for MRes in Human Geography / Sustainable Development, for Research Methods in Psychology (MSc) and various other MRes Programmes Optional for Sustainable Development (MRes), Sustainable Development and Environmental Economics (MSc) Optional for various other MRes Programmes			
Learning and teaching methods and delivery:	Weekly contact: 2-hour seminar			
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%			
Module coordinator:	Dr M Kesby			
Module teaching staff:	TBC (Colleagues from International Relations)			

SS5103 Qualitative Methods in Social Research				
SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester:	2
Planned timetable:	10.00 am - 12.00 noon Tue			
This seminar-based module offers both a theoretical and practical introduction to the collection, analysis and writing of qualitative social science research. Among other things, the module will cover positionality/ethics, archives, participant observation, participatory approaches, semi-structured interviewing and the use of NVIVO/computer aided qualitative data analysis. Assessment will involve a short reflection on field experience and a longer critical essay on a chosen aspect of qualitative research.				
Programme module type:	Compulsory for MRes in Human Geography / Sustainable Development Compulsory for Research Methods in Psychology (MSc) Compulsory for various other MRes Programmes Optional for Sustainable Development (MSc), Sustainable Development and Environmental Economics (MSc) Optional for various other MRes Programmes			
Learning and teaching methods and delivery:	Weekly contact: 2-hour seminar.			
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%			
Module coordinator:	Dr M Kesby			
Module teaching staff:	Dr M Kesey and Dr D Williams			

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SS5104 Quantitative Research in Social Science				
SCOTCAT Credits:	15	SCQF Level 11	Semester:	1
Planned timetable:	1.00 - 5.00 pm Mon			
<p>This module provides a user-friendly introduction to the fundamental concepts of quantitative analysis. It will cover underlying principles, terminology, research design, sampling strategies, uncertainty and missing data, computerised data management and univariate and multivariate approaches to data analysis. The assessment will be in the form of practical tasks completed in class and/or independently.</p>				
Programme module type:	<p>Compulsory for MRes in Human Geography / Sustainable Development Compulsory for MSc Psychology (Conversion). Compulsory for Research Methods in Psychology (MSc) Compulsory for various other MRes Programmes. Optional for Sustainable Development (MSc), Sustainable Development and Environmental Economics (MSc) Optional for various other MRes Programmes</p>			
Learning and teaching methods and delivery:	Weekly contact: 3-hour combined lecture and practical session.			
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%			
Module coordinator:	Dr M Kesby			
Module teaching staff:	Dr J Ales			

MN5001 Contemporary Global Issues in Management				
SCOTCAT Credits:	20	SCQF Level 11	Semester:	1
Availability restrictions:	Not available as an optional module for any programme.			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged.			
<p>This module is aimed at creating a deep and wide appreciation of how various global trends will impact upon economies, organisations and from there, the practice of management. In particular, the way in which ecological, social and economic factors interact to create threats and possibilities for organisations will be addressed. Moreover, the varying ways in which these aspects manifest themselves in different parts of the globe will be elucidated in order to ensure that all students have an appreciation of both how their own and other countries might be affected by various trends. Finally, students will also be supported to make the link between these issues and how they manifest themselves in their chosen area of study.</p>				
Programme module type:	<p>Compulsory for the Human Resource Management, International Business, Marketing and International Business and Strategy (Moscow State) Postgraduate Programmes and for the Management Studies MRes Programme.</p>			
Learning and teaching methods and delivery:	Weekly contact: 2 lectures and 1 seminar.			
Assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 50%, Coursework = 50%			
Module coordinator:	Dr R Woodfield			

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MN5002 Contemporary Conceptual Issues in Management				
SCOTCAT Credits:	20	SCQF Level 11	Semester:	2
Availability restrictions:	Not available as an optional module for any programme.			
Planned timetable:	To be arranged.			
<p>This module develops students' prior understanding of management and develops a deep understanding of core conceptual challenges in organisations. Using critical case-based exploration and extensive discussion the module explores such basic yet deep questions as: What are organisations? Can organisations be managed, and what do managers actually do? How do we know what we know? Where does innovation come from? What are skills, knowledge and understanding? What is responsible enterprise? Why are organisations structured the way they are? How do personality, power and politics impact on organisational life? As these and similar questions are addressed, students will be encouraged to reflect and draw upon their own experiences of organisational life as issues are analysed, challenged, researched, evaluated and assessed.</p>				
Programme module type:	Compulsory for the International Business, and Marketing Postgraduate Programmes and for the Management Studies MRes Programme.			
Learning and teaching methods and delivery:	Weekly contact: 1 lecture, 1 seminar and 1 practical class.			
Assessment pattern:	2-hour Written Examination = 50%, Coursework = 50%			
Module coordinator:	Dr J Summers			
Module teaching staff:	Dr J Summers, Team taught			

One of:

MN5498 Group Dissertation				
SCOTCAT Credits:	60	SCQF Level 11	Semester:	Whole Year
Availability restrictions:	Not available as an optional module for any programme.			
Planned timetable:	Workshops to be arranged.			
<p>This module provides students with the opportunity to undertake an in-depth investigation into issues within the field of business and finance. They are required to prepare a 15,000 word (approximately) report dissertation detailing justified conclusions and recommendations. Training in methodology will be provided to students in semesters 1 and 2 as preparation for the dissertation. Supervision of the dissertation is also provided. Each group will comprise up to 6 students. The group dissertation will comprise 70% of the assessment; the remaining 30% will be awarded for an individual report and log book. The individual report should either critically reflect upon working in a multi-cultural project team or on a specific topic related to the group project in both cases the exact topic for the individual report will require supervisor approval.</p>				
Programme module type:	Either MN5497, MN5498 or MN5499 is compulsory for Banking and Finance, Finance and Management, International Business, International Business and Strategy, Human Resource Management or Management MLitt or MSc Postgraduate Programmes.			
Anti-requisite(s):	MN5497, MN5499			
Learning and teaching methods and delivery:	Weekly contact: 16 x 2-hour lectures/workshops. Students will then be given 6 hours of supervision.			
Assessment pattern:	15,000 word group dissertation report = 70%, 3,000 word individual report = 30%			
Module coordinator:	Ms J F Brooks			
Module teaching staff:	Ms J F Brooks, Supervisory team			

MN5499 Individual Dissertation				
SCOTCAT Credits:	60	SCQF Level 11	Semester:	Whole Year
Availability restrictions:	Not available as an optional module for any programme.			
Planned timetable:	Workshops to be arranged.			
This module provides students with the opportunity to undertake an in-depth investigation into issues within the field of business and finance. Training in methodology will be provided to students in semesters 1 and 2 as preparation for the dissertation. Supervision of the dissertation is also provided.				
Programme module type:	Compulsory for Banking and Finance MSc Programme. Either MN5497, MN5498 or MN5499 is compulsory for Finance and Management, International Business, International Business and Strategy, Human Resource Management or Management MLitt or MSc Postgraduate Programmes.			
Anti-requisite(s):	MN5497, MN5498			
Learning and teaching methods and delivery:	Weekly contact: 16 x 2-hour lectures/workshops. Students will then be given 6 hours of supervision.			
Assessment pattern:	Coursework = 100%			
Module coordinator:	Ms J F Brooks			
Module teaching staff:	Ms J F Brooks, Supervisory team			

Optional modules available:

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