

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL POLICY

CRIMINOLOGY (RESEARCH METHODS)

Master of Science in Criminology (Research Methods)
Postgraduate Diploma in Criminology (Research Methods)
Postgraduate Certificate in Criminology (Research Methods)

These regulations are to be read in conjunction with [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).

Admission

1. Notwithstanding the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#), applicants shall possess:
 - i. a first or second class Honours degree any discipline from a United Kingdom university; or
 - ii. a qualification deemed by the Head of Department acting on behalf of the Senate to be equivalent to (i) above.
2. In all cases, applicants whose first language is not English, shall be required to demonstrate an appropriate level of English.

Duration of Study

3. The programme shall run for 12 months full time and 24 months part time. See [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).

Mode of Study

4. The programme is available by full-time and part-time study. At the discretion of the relevant Board of Study on the recommendation of the relevant Programme Director (or nominee), a student may transfer from full-time to part-time study and vice-versa where an appropriate programme is available, at which time the relevant minimum and maximum periods of study will be reviewed.

Place of Study

5. Except where Senate has approved distance learning arrangements for off campus delivery, study shall normally be undertaken within the University or within an institution or agency approved by Senate for the purpose.

Curriculum

6. All students shall undertake an approved curriculum as follows:

Compulsory Modules

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
L5981	Perspectives on Social Research	5	20
L2905	Quantitative Methods	5	20

L2909	Qualitative Methods	5	20
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Postgraduate Diploma students must also take the following modules:

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
M8926	Contemporary Issues in Criminology	5	20
M8925	The Contexts of Criminal Justice Research	5	20
L5983	Evaluation and Policy Research	5	20

MSc students must also take the following module:

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
L5986	Masters Dissertation in Criminology	5	60

Progress

7. See [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).
8. Notwithstanding the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#), candidates will be permitted a maximum of 2 attempts at each assessment.
9. The final award will be based on performance in all elements of the coursework, the dissertation and, if required, a spoken examination.

Award

10. **Degree of MSc:** In order to qualify for the degree of MSc in Criminology (Research Methods) a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 120 credits from the taught modules on the programme and a 60 credit Dissertation L5986.
11. **Postgraduate Diploma:** In order to qualify for the award of Postgraduate Diploma in Criminology (Research Methods), a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 120 credits from the taught modules on the programme.
12. **Postgraduate Certificate:** In order to qualify for the award of Postgraduate Certificate in Criminology (Research Methods), a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 60 credits from the taught modules on the programme.