

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

FACULTY PROGRAMMES

Professional Doctorate (DProf) in Advanced Practice

Professional Doctorate (DProf) in Advanced Practice with specialisations in*

- * Health
- * Social Work
- * Social Policy and Criminal Justice
- * Law
- * Law, Crime & Justice
- * Environmental Law & Governance
- * Competition Law
- * Internet Law & Policy Law
- * Public Law

For regulations relating to admissions, duration of study, examinations, progress, final assessment, award and research elements of this degree please refer to the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Research Degree Regulations](#).

For regulations relating to taught (compulsory/optional) modules please refer to the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#)

Admission

1. Notwithstanding the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Research Degree Regulations](#), applicants shall normally possess:
 - i. a Master's degree (with Merit or Distinction) in a relevant field from a university in the United Kingdom; or
 - ii. a first class or second class upper (2:1) Honours degree in a relevant professional field with a minimum of 5 years' experience working in that field; or
 - iii. a qualification deemed by the Programme Director (or nominee) acting on behalf of Senate to be equivalent to (i) above; or
 - iv. be deemed by the Programme Director (or nominee) acting on behalf of Senate, to have achieved an academic standard equivalent to above, and
 - v. other relevant professional qualification (nominally 5 years).

Duration of Study

2. Notwithstanding the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Research Degree Regulations](#) the minimum duration of study will normally be part-time study 60 months and the maximum duration of study will normally be 96 months.

Place of Study

3. As permitted by the [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Research Degree Regulations](#), all programmes make use of distance learning and blended learning as well as on campus delivery as appropriate.

Mode of Study

4. The programme is available by part-time study. All students undertake a curriculum comprising modules which consist of formal tuition, independent study and supervised research.

Curriculum

5. All students shall undertake an approved curriculum as follows, subject to the approval of the Programme Leader.

Compulsory Modules

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
HF906	DProf Thesis	6	360
HF904	Methods of enquiry in contemporary professional issues	6	60
HF903	Advanced study design and research proposal	6	60

Optional Modules

Students shall undertake minimum of 60 credits from the optional modules below or 40 credits plus 20 credits from the PGCert Researcher Professional Development programme.

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Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
X3832	Conceptions of Leadership	5	20
X3820	Leadership for Equity, Inclusion and Social Justice	5	20
X3838	Philosophy of Technology and Education	5	20

Specialisation in Health

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
XXXXX	Developing and Leading Collaborative Health and Care Workforces for the Future	5	20
SD922	Leading improvement and transformation	5	20
SD920	Designing people centric healthcare	5	20
MS819	Health systems performance, financing and innovation	5	20
XXXXX	Contemporary Issues and Inequalities in Health and Care	5	20
SD919	Big Data Driven Healthcare	5	20
C8990	Research Methods in Clinical Health Psychology	5	20

Specialisation in Social Work

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
L5975	Approaches To Welfare: Past, Present and Future	5	20
L5976	Welfare Concepts and Ideas	5	20
L2905	Quantitative methods	5	20

Specialisation in Social Policy and Criminal Justice

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
M8926	Contemporary Issues in Criminology	5	20
L5988	The Contexts of Criminal Justice Research	5	20
L8914	Prisons, Power and Punishment	5	20

List A- Options for all Law Specialisations

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
M9922	Business and Human Rights	5	20
M9920	World Trading System: Law and Policy	5	20
M8913	International Investment Law	5	20
M9884	Financial Crime and Sanctions	5	20
M9923	Competition Law and Policy in the EU	5	20
M9986	European Human rights Law	5	20
M9870	EU Environmental Law	5	20
M8912	Financial Regulation and Compliance	5	20
XXXXX	International Environmental Law 1	5	20
M9990	International Human Rights Law	5	20
M9939	Negotiation	5	20
M8902	Arbitration Law	5	20
M9846	Homicide	5	20
M9989	Human Rights Protection in the UK	5	20
M9944	E-Commerce	5	20

M9811	Employment Mediation	5	20
M9862	International Migration Law	5	20
M9829	Privacy, Crime and Security	5	20
XXXXX	Oceans Governance and Law of the Sea	5	20
M8914	International Climate Change Law	5	20
M9867	Global Environmental Law: Issues of Equity and Sustainability	5	20
M9892	International Criminal Justice	5	20
M9937	Theory and Principles of Conflict Resolution	5	20
XXXXX	Punishment and Processes of Penal Change	5	20
M9838	Childhood and Crime	5	20
XXXXX	Surveillance, Technology and Crime Control	5	20
M9842	Restorative Justice	5	20
XXXXX	Offender Supervision and Management	5	20
M9843	Justice & Penal Decision Making	5	20
M98XX	Justice and Penal Change	5	20
XXXXX	Competition Law of the UK and EU	5	20
M9897	Competition Law and the State	5	20
M9895	Competition Law and the Digital Economy	5	20
M9894	Competition Law	5	20

Specialisation in Law

At least 40 credits and no more than 60 from List A.

Specialisation in Law, Crime & Justice

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
M9843	Justice & Penal Decision Making*	5	20
M98XX	Justice and Penal Change*	5	20
Plus			
20 credits from List A			

* Compulsory for Specialisation in Law, Crime and Justice.

Specialisation in Environmental Law & Governance

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
M9921	International Environmental Law*	5	20
M9867	Global Environmental Law: Issues of Sustainability and Equity*	5	20
Plus			
20 credits from List A			

* Compulsory for Specialisation in Environmental Law and Governance.

Specialisation in Competition Law

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
XXXXX	Competition Law of the UK and EU*	5	20
M9897	Competition Law and the State*	5	20
Plus			
20 credits from List A			

* Compulsory for Specialisation in Competition Law

Specialisation in Internet Law and Policy Law

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
M9895	Competition Law and the Digital Economy*	5	20
M9894	Competition Law*	5	20
Plus			
20 credits from List A			

* Compulsory for Specialisation in Internet Law and Policy Law

Specialisation in Public Law

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
M9989	Human Rights Protection in the UK*	5	20
M9990	International Human Rights Law*	5	20
Plus			
20 credits from List A			

* Compulsory for Specialisation in Public Law

Examination, Progress and Final Assessment

- Before proceeding to the doctoral thesis stage, students are normally required to have performed to the satisfaction of the Board of Examiners and passed all taught modules.

7. Students must have passed HF903 Advanced Study Design and Research Proposal, at the first attempt.
8. A student who fails to fulfil this requirement has the right of re-examination in line with the University Postgraduate Research General Regulations for Professional Doctorates at Masters level.
9. Students are required to perform to the satisfaction of the Board of Examiners in all aspects of the curriculum and in the thesis.
10. Students who fail to satisfy the Board of Examiners in any taught modules may, in the light of overall performance, be permitted one further attempt to pass the relevant modules normally within one year of the first attempt.
11. The final award will be based on performance in the coursework, the thesis and an oral examination.

Award

12. In order to qualify for the award of DProf, a student must have performed to the satisfaction of the Board of Examiners by passing both DProf compulsory modules with the second compulsory module HF903 'Advanced Study Design and Research Proposal' passed at first submission. Students must have accumulated no fewer than 540 credits, of which 480 credits must be awarded at Level 6, this includes 360 credits awarded in respect of the Thesis (60,000 words).
13. A student who has completed the work for the DProf but has failed to satisfy the examiners at doctoral level, may be considered by the Board Examiners for transfer to, and the award of, the MSc Advanced Practice.

Transfer

14. A student who has accumulated no fewer than 180 credits in the taught component of the programme course will be eligible for the exit award of MSc in Advanced Practice.
15. A student who has accumulated no fewer than 120 credits in the taught component of the programme will be eligible for the exit award of Postgraduate Diploma in Advanced Practice.
16. A student who has accumulated no fewer than 60 credits in the taught component of the programme will be eligible for the exit award of Postgraduate Certificate in Advanced Practice.