

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCES AND HEALTH

RESEARCH METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Master of Science in Research Methods in Psychology
Postgraduate Diploma in Research Methods in Psychology
Postgraduate Certificate in Research Methods in Psychology
Postgraduate Certificate in Social 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 upper second class Honours degree in Psychology 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. See [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).

Mode of Study

4. The programme is available by full-time study only.

Curriculum

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

Compulsory Modules

Module Code	Module Title	Level	Credits
C8939	Quantitative Research Methods	5	20
C8985	Qualitative Research Methods	5	20
C8928	Research Design	5	60
C8986	Dissertation	5	60
L5981*	Perspectives on Social Research	5	20

* Scottish Graduate School for Social Sciences (SGSSS) funded students are required to take HF905 Becoming a Confident Social Science Researcher, 20 credits, in place of L5981.

Progress

6. See [General Academic Regulations - Postgraduate Taught Degree Programme Level](#).

7. The final award will be based on performance in all elements of the coursework, the dissertation and, if required, in an oral examination.

Award

8. **Degree of MSc:** In order to qualify for the award of the degree of MSc in Research Methods in Psychology a candidate must have performed to the satisfaction of the Board of Examiners and must have accumulated no fewer than 180 credits of which 60 credits must have been awarded in respect of the dissertation C8986.
9. **Postgraduate Diploma in Research Methods in Psychology:** In order to qualify for the award of the Postgraduate Diploma in Research Methods in Psychology, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 120 credits from the taught modules of the programme.
10. **Postgraduate Certificate in Research Methods in Psychology:** In order to qualify for the award of the Postgraduate Certificate in Research Methods in Psychology, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 60 credits from the taught modules of the programme.
11. **Postgraduate Certificate in Social Research Methods:** In order to qualify for the award of the Postgraduate Certificate in Social Research Methods, a candidate must have accumulated no fewer than 60 credits from the taught modules of the programme including C8939 Quantitative Research Methods, C8985 Qualitative Research Methods, and L5981* Perspectives on Social Research (* HF905 Becoming a confident Social Science Researcher for SGSSS funded students).