

Programme Regulations: 2021-2022

Programme Titles:

Master of Research in Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security
Code: 4841F

Master of Research in Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security
Code: 4861P

Notes:

- (i) *These programme regulations should be read in conjunction University's Research Masters Degree Regulations.*
- (ii) *All optional modules are offered subject to the constraints of the timetable and to any restrictions on the number of students who may be taught on a particular module. Not all modules may be offered in all years and they are listed subject to availability.*
- (iii) *A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (iv) *All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*
- (v) *As a Research Masters degree, this programme reflects specific research themes and aims incorporating research preparation. The programme comprises at least 180 credits of which at least 80 credits will be dedicated to the research project/dissertation.*

1. Programme structure

- (a) The programmes are available for study in both full-time and part-time modes.
- (b) The period of study for full-time mode shall be 1 year starting in September. The period of study for part-time mode shall normally be 2 years starting in September or January.
- (c) The programme comprises modules to a credit value of 180.
- (d) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

| Code | Descriptive Title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Mode |
|---------|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|-------|
| ACE8117 | Global Challenges in Sustainable Agriculture & Food Security | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | Block |
| ACE8197 | MRes Dissertation Project | 80 | | 20 | 60 | 7 | |
| BIO8072 | Dynamics of Coupled Human-Natural Systems | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | Block |
| NES8006 | Data Preparation, analysis, interpretation and presentation | 10 | 10 | | | | Block |
| NES8007 | Academic and Professional Skills for MSc | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | Block |

- (e) All candidates shall take 40 credits selected from the following optional modules:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Mode |
|---------|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|-------|
| ACE8114 | Principles and current topics in Agro-food economics & Policy | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | Block |
| ACE8115 | Assessing Agricultural Production systems | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | Block |
| BIO8005 | Global Challenges: Biotech Solutions | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | Block |

Modules may vary taking into account demand, staff time and timetabling constraints. With the approval of the Degree Programme Director and depending upon the academic background of the candidate alternative optional modules to those listed above may be selected.

2. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline.