

Programme Regulations 2021/22

Programme Titles:

Degree of Bachelor of Science with Honours in Marine Biology - UCAS Code: C161

Degree of Bachelor of Science with Honours in Marine Biology with Placement Year - Code: 1157U

Degree of Bachelor of Science with Honours in Marine Biology (Inversion) - Code: 1738U

Notes

- (i) *These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme 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) *Programme transfers for Tier 4 students may be restricted by current Tier 4 rules. Please refer to the Visa Team for advice.*

1. Stage 1

- (a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>
MST1201	Marine Biology	20	20		4
MST1202	Diversity of Marine Animals	20	20		4
MST1203	The Marine Environment	20		20	4
MST1204	Academic and Professional Skills for the Biosciences	20	10	10	4
MST1205	Marine Practical Skills 1	20	10	10	4

- (b) All candidates shall take 20 credits of optional modules normally selected from the following list:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>
BIO1020	Genetics and Evolution	20		20	4
MST1206	Marine Microbiology and Primary Producers	20		20	4

2. Stage 2

(a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>
MST2201	Ecology of Marine Systems	20	20		5
MST2202	Applied Marine Biology	20		20	5
MST2203	Oceans and Climate I	20	20		5
MST2204	Research and Employability Skills	20	10	10	5
MST2205	Marine Practical Skills II	20	10	10	5

(b) All candidates shall take 20 credits of optional modules normally selected from the following list:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>
BIO2030	Biotechnology: Principles and Practice	20		20	5
BIO2036	Molecular Evolution and Systematics	20		20	5
MST2206	Deep-Sea and Polar Biology	20		20	5
MST2207	Marine Vertebrate Biology and Ecology	20		20	5
MST2208	Oceans and Climate II	20		20	5

With the approval of the Degree Programme Director, alternative optional modules to those listed above may be selected.

3. Year 3 (Placement Year) - for candidates on 1157U only

On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3, candidates may as part of their studies for the degree spend a year in a placement with an approved organisation. Permission to undertake a placement is subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director. Students who are required to re-sit their Stage 2 assessment must delay the start of their placement until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 2 may not complete a placement year.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>
NCL3000	Careers Service Placement Year Module	120	60	60	6

4. Stage 3

(a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>
MST3201	Advanced Marine Research Topics 1	20	20		6

MST3202	Advanced Marine Research Topics 2	20	20		6
MST3204	Advanced Research Skills	20	10	10	6
MST3205	Marine Research Project	40	20	20	7

- (b) All candidates shall take 20 credits of optional modules normally selected from the following list:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>
BIO3039	Biodiversity Science and Management	20		20	6
BIO3042	Biotechnology: Applications	20		20	6
MST3203	Advanced Marine Research Topics 3	20		20	6

With the approval of the Degree Programme Director alternative optional modules to those listed above may be selected.

5. Year 4 (Placement Year) - for candidates on 1738U only

On completion of Stage 3, 1738U candidates may as part of their studies for the degree spend a year in a placement with an approved organisation. Permission to undertake a placement is subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director. Students who are required to re-sit their Stage 3 assessment must delay the start of their placement until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 3 may not complete a placement year.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>
NCL3000	Careers Service Placement Year Module	120	60	60	6

6. Assessment methods

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

7. Degree Transfer

When student complements allow, candidates completing Stage 1 may transfer to another Marine Science degree programme with the approval of the Degree Programme Director.

8. Degree classification

Candidates will be assessed for degree classification on the basis of all the modules taken at Stages 2 and 3 with the weighting of the stages being 1:3 for Stage 2 and Stage 3 respectively.