## Academic Year 2021/2022

## **Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Politics and Sociology**

**UCAS Code: LL32** 

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**Internal Code: 1464U** 

#### 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) Unless otherwise stated under 'Type', modules are not core.
- (iv) A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.
- (v) A core module is a module which a student must pass, and in which a fail mark may neither be carried nor compensated; such modules are designated by the board of studies as essential for progression to a further stage of the programme or for study in a further module.
- (vi) All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.

#### 1. Stage 1

- (a) Unless otherwise stated modules are not core.
- (b) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
SOC1032	Politics & Society	20		20	4		
POL1045	Becoming a Political Analyst	20	20		4		

## (c) All candidates shall take 40 credits from the Sociology modules listed below:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
SOC1027	Comparing Cultures	20	20		4		
SOC1030	The Sociological Imagination: An	20	20		4		
	Introduction to the Discipline						
SOC1031	Knowing in Sociology: An	20		20	4		
	Introduction to Theory, Methods						
	and Epistemology						
SOC1033	Understanding Everyday Life	20		20	4		
SOC1034	Investigating Inequalities and	20	20		4		
	Crime						

# (d) All candidates shall take 40 credits from the Politics modules listed below:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
POL1015	The Westminster System: Politics	20		20	4		
	of the UK						
POL1032	Key Concepts in International	20		20	4		
	Politics						
POL1046	Order and Disorder: The Shaping	20	20		4		
	of the 21st Century						
POL1049	Power and Inequality	20		20	4		
POL1050	Politics of Happiness	20	20		4		

## 2. Stage 2

# (a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory module:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
SOC2069	Researching Social Life I	20	20		5		

# (b) All candidates planning to do a Dissertation in Sociology in Stage 3 shall take the following compulsory module as a pre-requisite:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
SOC2070	Researching Social Life II	20		20	5		

# (c) All candidates shall select Politics modules to the value of 60 credits from the list below:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
POL2015	Regional and International	20	20		5		
	Organisations						
POL2016	Foreign Policy Analysis: Theories	20		20	5		
	and Approaches						
POL2017‡	Becoming a Political Researcher	20	20		5		
POL2022	Government and Politics of the	20	20		5		
	USA						
POL2034	The Politics and Policy of the	20		20	5		
	European Union						
POL2035	Power and Poverty in the Global	20		20	5		
	Economy						
POL2045	British Politics: State and Society	20	20		5		
POL2082	Political Violence and the Modern	20		20	5		
	State						
POL2088	The Politics of Africa: Africa's	20	20		5		
	place in Global Politics						

POL2090	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion:	20	20		5	
	Social Issues in Contemporary					
	Political Philosophy					
POL2096*	Politics Work Placement	20	10	10	5	
POL2110	Security Studies	20		20	5	
POL2111	Democracy or Dictatorship? What	20		20	5	
	are the differences and how do					
	we analyse them					
POL2113	Sex, Gender and Power	20	20		5	

<sup>\*</sup>Module cannot be combined with NCL2007. See (e) below. Placement opportunities will be guided by national and institutional policy at the time.

(d) Candidates who select SOC2070 shall select modules to the value of 20 credits from the list of Sociology optional modules below. Candidates who do not select SOC2070 shall select Sociology modules to the value of 40 credits from the list below:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
SOC2044	Social Control : Regulation,	20	20		5		
	Neoliberalism and the State						
SOC2056	Sociology of Health and Illness	20		20	5		
SOC2058	Understanding Social Change &	20	20		5		
	Transformation						
SOC2067	Consumer Cultures: An	20		20	5		
	Anthropological Perspective						
SOC2084	Social Invention of Central Europe	20	20		5		
SOC2086	Post-disciplinary Criminology:	20		20	5		
	Hermeneutics, Poststructuralism						
	and Cultural Theory						

(e) Candidates may substitute 20 credits of Politics option module or 20 credits of Sociology option module for NCL2007 (Career Development). NCL2007 cannot be combined with POL2096. Candidates electing to take NCL2007 must have the remainder of their Politics/Sociology credit split for Stages 2 and 3 approved by the Degree Programme Director.

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
NCL2007	Career Development for second	20	10	10	5		
	year students						

(f) Note: not all of the above modules above will be offered every year. The total credit weighting selected for Stage 2 must equal 120 credits.

## 3. Year 3 (Placement Year)

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

<sup>‡</sup> Discuss with the Degree Programme Director before selecting this module.

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 the placement year.

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
NCL3000	Careers Service Placement Year	120	60	60	6		
	Module						

Placement opportunities will be guided by governmental and institutional policy at the time.

## 4. Stage 3

(a) All candidates must take ONE of the following designated modules:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
POL3046	Dissertation in Politics	40	20	20	6		
SOC3097*	Dissertation in Sociology*	40	20	20	6		
POL3103	Community-based Research in	40	20	20	6		
	Politics						

<sup>\*</sup> In order to take Dissertation in Sociology (SOC3097) students **must** have completed SOC2070. Dissertation in Politics (POL3046) does not have a pre-requisite.

(b) Candidates selecting SOC3097 shall select modules to the value of 60 credits from the list of Politics optional modules below. Candidates selecting POL3046 shall select modules to the value of 20 credits from the list below:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2	_		
POL3050	Ethics of Killing	20		20	6		
POL3053	Political Leadership in Britain	20		20	6		
POL3054	International Politics and Urbanism	20		20	6		
POL3055	Applied Political Research with Quantitative Methods	20	20		6		
POL3081	International Political Thought	20	20		6		
POL3092	Political Parties and Elections in the UK	20	20		6		
POL3111	UK Parliamentary Studies	20		20	6		
POL3117	Politics of Immigration	20	20		6		
POL3124	Mexican Politics: Authoritarianism & Democracy	20	20		6		
POL3128	The Politics of Gender and Sexuality in the Middle East	20	20		6		
POL3129	Global Justice	20		20	6		
POL3131	The Politics of Health	20		20	6		

(c) Candidates taking SOC3097 shall select modules to the value of 20 credits from the following list of Sociology optional modules. Candidates taking POL3046 shall select modules to the value of 60 credits from the following list:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
SOC3045	Regulating Sexuality	20	20		6		
SOC3047	Policing and Security	20		20	6		
SOC3077	Making People: the Anthropology	20		20	6		
	of Personhood from Before Birth						
	to After Death						
SOC3078	Dreamworlds: Society and the			20	6		
	utopian imagination						
SOC3090	Investigating the Body	20	20		6		

- (d) Note: not all of the above modules will be offered every year
- (e) SOC3085 (Exchange module) allows students to study in semester 1 of Stage 3 in a European university where they will take modules that count towards their final degree and begin work on their dissertation. Students wishing to take this module must indicate their interest in Stage 2, and must discuss their Stage 3 Politics/Sociology credit split with the Degree Programme Director before it can be confirmed.

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2			
SOC3085	Student Exchange	40	40		6		

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

#### 5. Assessment methods

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

# 6. 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 1:2 for Stage 2 and Stage 3 respectively.

## 7. Degree title

Candidates who choose to take part in the Placement Year shall be transferred onto the four year version of the programme. They will be on degree programme code 1464U and will graduate with a BA (Hons) in Politics and Sociology (with Placement Year).