

## Programme Regulations 2022/23

### 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

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

(b) All candidates shall take one of the following optional 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>
MST3205	Marine Research Project	40	20	20	6
MST3206	Marine Research Project - Overseas	40	20	20	6

(c) 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.