## **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 | Credits | Level | Mode  |
|---------|------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|
|         |                                    | Credits | Sem 1   | Sem 2   | Sem 3   |       |       |
| ACE8114 | Principles and current topics in   | 20      |         | 20      |         | 7     | Block |
|         | Agro-food economics & Policy       |         |         |         |         |       |       |
| ACE8117 | Global Challenges in Sustainable   | 20      | 20      |         |         | 7     | Block |
|         | Agriculture & Food Security        |         |         |         |         |       |       |
| NES8005 | MRes Research Dissertation Project | 120     | 10      | 50      | 60      | 7     |       |

#### (e) All candidates shall take 20 credits of the following optional modules

| Code    | Descriptive Title   | Total   | Credits | Credits | Credits | Level | Mode  |
|---------|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|
|         |   | Credits | Sem 1   | Sem 2   | Sem 3   |       |       |
| ACE8118 | Agricultural Systems  | 10      | 10      |         |         | 7     | Block |
| BIO8072 | Dynamics of Coupled Human<br>Natural Systems                                  | 20      | 20      |         |         | 7     | Block |
| BIO8075 | Critical Thinking and Analysis for<br>Evidence-Based Environmental<br>Science | 20      | 20      |         |         | 7     | Block |
| NES8006 | Data Analysis and Presentation  | 10      | 10      |         |         | 7     | Block |

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.