

## Programme Regulations 2024/25

### 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 with International Study Year – Code 1841U

### 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>
NES1501	Marine Biology	20	20		4
NES1502	Diversity of Marine Animals	20	20		4
NES1503	The Marine Environment	20		20	4
NES1504	Academic and Professional Skills for the Biosciences	20	10	10	4
NES1505	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>
NES1300	Genetics and Evolution	20		20	4
NES1506	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>
NES2501	Tropical Marine Ecology	20	20		5
NES2502	Applied Marine Biology	20		20	5
NES2503	Oceans and Climate I	20	20		5
NES2504	Academic and Employability Skills	20	10	10	5
NES2505	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>
NES2309	Evolutionary Biology	20		20	5
NES2506	Deep-Sea and Polar Biology	20		20	5
NES2507	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. Intercalating Year

(a) Careers Placement (1157U)

On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3, BSc candidates may as part of their studies for the degree spend a year at an approved institution. Permission to undertake the intercalating year 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 intercalating year until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 2 may not complete an intercalating 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>	<i>Mode</i>
NCL3000	Career Service Placement Year Module	120	60	60	6	

(b) International Study Year (1841U)

On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3, candidates may spend the equivalent of one academic year abroad at an appropriate exchange partner institution. Permission to undertake a year abroad 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 year abroad until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 2 may not complete a year abroad.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Mode</i>
ISY3000	International Study 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>
NES3501	Advanced Marine Research Topics 1	20	20		6
NES3502	Advanced Marine Research Topics 2	20	20		6
NES3504	Global Marine Science	20	10	10	6
NES3505	Research Project	40	20	20	6

(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>
NES3301	Biodiversity Science and Management	20		20	6
NES3503	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. Assessment methods**

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

#### **6. 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.

#### **7. 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.