# Academic Year 2024/25 Master of Arts in Media and Public Relations

Code: 4076 F/P

### Notes

- (i) These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations.
- (ii) A core module for outcomes is a module which a student must pass.
- (iii) A core module for PSRB accreditation is a module a student is required to pass to obtain accreditation
- (iv) A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.
- (v) All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.
- (vi) Any candidates whose native language is not English must sit the University English
  Language Assessment (UELA) the week preceding the scheduled Welcome (Induction) Week.
  If the assessment results are Level 1 (UELA score less than 60) or Level 2 (UELA score 60 69),
  then the candidate is required to enrol in a free non-credit-bearing in-sessional course(s)
  where attendance is compulsory and will be monitored for evidence of attendance.

### 1. Programme structure

- (a) The programme is 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. The programme comprises modules to a credit value of 180.
- (c) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

| Code    | Descriptive title   | Total   | Credits | Credits | Credits | Level | Туре | Core for      | Core for | Mode |
|---------|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|------|---------------|----------|------|
|         |                     | Credits | Sem 1   | Sem 2   | Sem 3   |       |      | PSRB          | learning |      |
|         |                     |         |         |         |         |       |      | Accreditation | outcomes |      |
| MCH8008 | Media and           | 20      | 20      |         |         | 7     |      |               |          |      |
|         | Promotional         |         |         |         |         |       |      |               |          |      |
|         | Cultures            |         |         |         |         |       |      |               |          |      |
| MCH8058 | Methodologies:      | 20      | 20      |         |         | 7     |      |               |          |      |
|         | Researching Media,  |         |         |         |         |       |      |               |          |      |
|         | Culture & Society   |         |         |         |         |       |      |               |          |      |
| MCH8060 | Strategies and      | 20      |         | 20      |         | 7     |      |               |          |      |
|         | Management in PR    |         |         |         |         |       |      |               |          |      |
| MCH8065 | Public Relations    | 20      | 20      |         |         | 7     |      |               |          |      |
|         | Theory and          |         |         |         |         |       |      |               |          |      |
|         | Concepts            |         |         |         |         |       |      |               |          |      |
| MCH8199 | Dissertation for MA | 60      |         |         | 60      | 7     |      |               |          |      |
|         | Media and Public    |         |         |         |         |       |      |               |          |      |
|         | Relations           |         |         |         |         |       |      |               |          |      |

(d) All candidates shall take further optional modules to a value of 40 credits from the following:

| Code    | Descriptive title   | Total<br>Credits | Credits<br>Sem 1 | Credits<br>Sem 2 | Credits<br>Sem 3 | Level | Туре | Core for<br>PSRB<br>Accreditation | Core for learning outcomes | Mode |
|---------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------|
| LAW8572 | International Human Rights and Development: Global Challenges     | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |
| LAW8576 | Law and Digital<br>Society  | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |
| MCH8012 | Freelancing in<br>Media and<br>Communications                     | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |
| MCH8013 | Global and<br>Environmental<br>Public Relations                   | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |
| MCH8068 | International<br>Media and Law<br>(Semester 2)                    | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |
| MCH8081 | Representations:<br>feminism, race and<br>intersectionality       | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |
| MCH8169 | Digital communication for cultural institutions and organisations | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |
| MCH8177 | Power, Politics and Communication                                 | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |
| MCH8178 | PR in Government – soft power, diplomacy and sportswashing        | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |
| MCH8179 | Risk and Crisis<br>Management                                     | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                            |      |

For detailed information about module pre-requisites candidates should consult the module catalogue (2024-25 MOFs) at: <a href="http://www.ncl.ac.uk/module-catalogue/">http://www.ncl.ac.uk/module-catalogue/</a>

(e) With the approval of the Degree Programme Director, candidates may choose one 20-credit module from Level 6 (Stage 3) Undergraduate Media Programmes as one of their options (candidates cannot enrol again on an optional module that they have completed in previous studies at Newcastle University).

# Year 1 (Part-time)

## (a) Candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

| Code    | Descriptive title  | Total<br>Credits | Credits<br>Sem 1 | Credits<br>Sem 2 | Credits<br>Sem 3 | Level | Туре | Core for<br>PSRB<br>Accreditation | Core for<br>learning<br>outcomes | Mode |
|---------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------|
| MCH8008 | Media and<br>Promotional<br>Cultures                         | 20               | 20               |                  |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                                  |      |
| MCH8058 | Methodologies:<br>Researching<br>Media, Culture &<br>Society | 20               | 20               |                  |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                                  |      |
| MCH8060 | Strategies and<br>Management in<br>PR                        | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                                  |      |
| MCH8065 | Public Relations<br>Theory and<br>Concepts                   | 20               | 20               |                  |                  | 7     |      |                                   |                                  |      |

# Year 2 (Part-time)

## (a) Candidates shall take the following compulsory module.

| Code    | Descriptive title                                    | Total<br>Credits | Credits<br>Sem 1 | Credits<br>Sem 2 | Credits<br>Sem 3 | Level | Туре | Core for PSRB<br>Accreditations | Core for<br>learning<br>outcomes | Mode |
|---------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|------|
| MCH8199 | Dissertation for<br>MA Media and<br>Public Relations | 60               |                  |                  | 60               | 7     |      |                                 |                                  |      |

# (b) Candidates shall take further optional modules to a value of 40 credits from the following:

| Code    | Descriptive title   | Total<br>Credits | Credits<br>Sem 1 | Credits<br>Sem 2 | Credits<br>Sem 3 | Level | Туре | Core for PSRB Accreditations | Core for<br>learning | Mode |
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| LAW8572 | International Human Rights and Development: Global Challenges | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                              |                      |      |
| LAW8576 | Law and Digital Society                                       | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                              |                      |      |
| MCH8012 | Freelancing in Media and Communications                       | 20               |                  | 20               |                  | 7     |      |                              |                      |      |

| MCH8013 | Global and Environmental Public Relations                         | 20 | 20 | 7 |  |  |
|---------|---|----|----|---|--|--|
| MCH8068 | International<br>Media and Law<br>(Semester 2)                    | 20 | 20 | 7 |  |  |
| MCH8081 | Representations:<br>feminism, race<br>and<br>intersectionality    | 20 | 20 | 7 |  |  |
| MCH8169 | Digital communication for cultural institutions and organisations | 20 | 20 | 7 |  |  |
| MCH8177 | Power, Politics<br>and<br>Communication                           | 20 | 20 | 7 |  |  |
| MCH8178 | PR in Government – soft power, diplomacy and sportswashing        | 20 | 20 | 7 |  |  |
| MCH8179 | Risk and Crisis<br>Management                                     | 20 | 20 | 7 |  |  |

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### 3. Assessment methods

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