Programme Regulations: 2024/25

Master of Science in Forensic Psychology

Code: 5270F & 5270P and 5285F & 5285P

Notes:

- (i) These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations.
- (ii) A core module for learning outcomes is a module which a student must pass.
- (iii) A core module for PSRB accreditation is a module a student is required 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.

1. Programme structure

- (a) The MSc Forensic Psychology is available as an accredited and non-accredited award. Students graduating on the 5207F/P programmes will be accredited by the BPS. Students graduating on the 5285F/P programmes will <u>not</u> be accredited by the BPS.
- (b) Both programmes are available for study in full-time and part-time modes.
- (c) The period of study for full-time mode shall be one year starting in September.
- (d) The period of study for part-time mode shall be two years starting in September.
- (e) Both programmes comprise modules to a credit value of 180.

(f) All candidates taking the full-time Masters shall take the following compulsory modules:

Year 1 Full-Time

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Core for PSRB Accreditation | Core for learning outcomes | Mode |
|---------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|------|
| PSY8046 | Legal Psychology and The Criminal Justice System | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | ~ | \checkmark | |
| PSY8054 | Forensic Mental Health and Criminal Behaviour | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | \checkmark | ✓ | |
| PSY8055 | Investigative Psychology and Forensic Interviewing | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | ✓ | ✓ | |
| PSY8056 | Forensic Assessment and Case Formulation | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | ✓ | \checkmark | |
| PSY8057 | Professional Practice in Forensic Psychology | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | ~ | ~ | |
| PSY8059 | Forensic Psychology Project | 60 | | 10 | 50 | 7 | \checkmark | ✓ | |
| PSY8061 | Advanced Research Methods for Applied Psychology A | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | ~ | ~ | |
| PSY8062 | Advanced Research Methods for Applied Psychology B | 10 | | 10 | | 7 | ~ | ✓ | |

(g) Candidates who have previously taken two or more of the following modules, PSY8046, PSY8057, PSY8061 within a previous programme of study may not take these modules in this programme and therefore are not eligible to enrol for the MSc Forensic Psychology programme.

(h) All candidates taking the part-time Masters shall take the following compulsory modules:

Year 1 Part-Time

| Code | Descriptive title | Total Credits | Credits Sem 1 | Credits Sem 2 | Credits Sem 3 | Level | Core for PSRB Accreditation | Core for learning outcomes | Mode |
|---------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|------|
| PSY8054 | Forensic Mental Health and Criminal Behaviour | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | \checkmark | ✓ | |
| PSY8056 | Forensic Assessment and Case Formulation | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | ✓ | ✓ | |
| PSY8057 | Professional Practice in Forensic Psychology | 20 | | 20 | | 7 | ✓ | ~ | |
| PSY8062 | Advanced Research Methods for Applied Psychology B | 10 | | 10 | - | 7 | \checkmark | ✓ | |

Year 2 Part-Time

(i) All candidates taking the part-time Masters shall take the following compulsory modules:

| Code | Descriptive title | Total | Credits | Credits | Credits | Level | Core for PSRB | Core for learning | Mode |
|---------|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------------|-------------------|------|
| | | Credits | Sem 1 | Sem 2 | Sem 3 | | Accreditation | outcomes | |
| PSY8046 | Legal Psychology and The | 20 | - | 20 | - | 7 | \checkmark | \checkmark | |
| | Criminal Justice System | | | | | | | | |
| PSY8055 | Investigative Psychology and | 20 | 20 | | | 7 | \checkmark | \checkmark | |
| | Forensic Interviewing | | | | | | | | |
| PSY8059 | Forensic Psychology Project | 60 | - | 10 | 50 | 7 | \checkmark | \checkmark | |
| PSY8061 | Advanced Research Methods for | 10 | 10 | | | 7 | \checkmark | ✓ | |
| | Applied Psychology A | | | | | | | | |

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2. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in each of the Module Outline Forms (MOFs).

3. Other

Assessment and Progression

Candidates must pass each component of assessment in order to pass the module. Resit candidates will be given a new submission date 4 weeks from the date of the feedback from the original submission.