

Programme Regulations: 2025/26

For candidates starting prior to 2025/26

Master of Public Health (2 years) 5854P

Master of Public Health (3 years) 5855P

Both programmes have been withdrawn but remain on the programme regulations for current students.

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 core module for outcomes is a module which a student must pass.**
- (iv) *A core module for PSRB accreditation is a module a student is required to obtain accreditation.*
- (v) *A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (vi) *All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*

*There are no core modules for the Public Health suite of programmes.

1. Programme structure

- (a) The Masters programmes are available for study in part time mode only and run either for two or three years, starting in September.
- (b) The Masters programme comprises modules to a credit value of 180.

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- (c) All candidates for the Master of Public Health 5854P and 5855P shall take the following compulsory modules and shall take optional modules to the value of 50 credits from list (d) below:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Credits Sem 3	Level	Core for PSRB Accreditation	Core for learning outcomes	Mode
HSC8001	Fundamentals of Research	20	20			7			

HSC8036	Health Statistics	20	20			7			
HSC8042	Public Health Intervention	10		10		7			
HSC8048	Health Care Quality	10		10		7			
HSC8055	Introduction to Systematic Reviewing and Critical Appraisal	10	10			7			
HSC8096	Dissertation Part 1 (PT)*	0				7			
HSC8097	Dissertation Part 2 (PT)*	60	20	20	20	7			

*Note: the dissertation will be undertaken in the field of the degree programme studied. HSC8096 and HSC8097 together form one module which spans 2 academic years of the programme. Both consist of a series of taught sessions, project work and independent study. Assessment preparation will be completed across both years with formative assessment submitted in HSC8096 and summative assessment submitted in HSC8097. As there is no summative assessment in HSC8096, all credit is assigned to HSC8097. Candidates studying 5854P shall take HSC8096 in year 1 and HSC8097 in year 2. Candidates studying 5855P shall take HSC8096 in year 2 followed by HSC8097 in year 3.

(d) Optional Modules:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Credits Sem 3	Level	Core for PSRB Accreditation	Core for learning outcomes	Mode
MPH8001	Principles of Public Health	20	20			7		✓	
MPH8002	Research Methods for Public Health	20	20			7			
MPH8003	Introduction to Health Statistics and Epidemiological Analysis	20	20			7			
MPH8004	Social and Commercial Determinants of Health	20		20		7			
MPH8005	Global Health and Planetary Boundaries	20		20		7			
MPH8006	Applied Epidemiology and Data Science	20		20		7			
MPH8007	Ageing across the Life Course	10		10		7			
MPH8008	Health Economics	10		10		7			
MPH8009	Health Improvement: Theory, Policy and Practice	10		10		7			
MPH8010	Public Health Protection	10		10		7			

- (e) Optional modules must be approved by the Degree Programme Director and must not exceed the University regulations in relation to credit splits across the semesters i.e., no more than 70 credits per semester.

2. Assessment Methods

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

3. Progression and Assessment

- (a) The Masters degree is awarded as follows:

- a. 50 – 59 Pass
- b. 60 – 69 Pass with Merit
- c. 70 or above Pass with Distinction.

- i. For the award of Masters with Distinction candidates must also have passed all modules on the first occasion without the need for resits.

- ii. For the award of Masters with Merit candidates must also have either passed all modules on the first occasion without a need for resits, or have no more than 20 credits of modules passed by resits

- (b) Candidates studying the Masters may exit with a Postgraduate Certificate as a lesser award if 60 taught credits have been passed or a Postgraduate Diploma, if 120 taught credits have been passed. These may be awarded as follows:

- a. 50 -59 Pass
- b. 60 -69 Pass with Merit
- c. 70 or above Pass with Distinction.

4. Exemptions to the University's Taught Programme Regulations

- (a) **Section G – The Award and Classification of Master's Degrees, Postgraduate Diplomas and Postgraduate Certificates**
Section G – The Award of Postgraduate Certificate and Diploma (Exit Awards)

The Public Health suite of programmes has an exemption from the University's Taught Programme Regulations in relation to the criteria for determining awards with Merit and Distinction (entry awards), approved by the Faculty Education Committee – see Section 3. (a).

The Public Health suite of programmes has an exemption from the University's Taught Programme Regulations which allows exit awards with Merit or Distinction - see section 3. (b).

- (b) In the event of any inconsistency between the programme and University regulations in relation to the above section, the programme regulations take precedence over the University regulations. Further guidance is contained in the Programme Handbook available on the VLE.