

Academic Year 2026/2027

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Urban Planning

UCAS Code: K421

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Code: 1690U

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) *Unless otherwise stated under 'Type', modules are not core.*
- (iv) *A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (v) *A core module is a module which a student must pass, and in which a fail mark may neither be carried nor compensated; such modules are designated by the board of studies as essential for progression to a further stage of the programme or for study in a further module.*
- (vi) *All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*

1. Stage 1

- (a) Unless otherwise stated all modules are core.
- (b) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Type	Mode
TCP1014	Planning Processes	10		10	4	Core	
TCP1018	Design Awareness and Communication	10	10		4	Core	
TCP1019	Economics of Development I	10		10	4	Core	
TCP1020	Environment and Sustainability	10		10	4	Core	
TCP1025	Social Worlds	20	20		4	Core	
TCP1026	Understanding Place: Methods and Perspectives	20		20	4	Core	
TCP1027	Shaping Towns and Cities	20	20		4	Core	
TCP1028	Planning for a Better World	20	10	10	4	Core	

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>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
TCP2025	Researching Local Economies	20	20		6	Core	
TCP2027	Research Skills	20		20	6	Core	

(b) All candidates will select 80 credits of modules from the following optional modules, 40 credits in Semester 1 and 40 credits in Semester 2:

<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>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
APL2035	Participation: Theories and Practice	20		20	6		
TCP2005	Houses and Homes	20	20		6		
TCP2006*	Design & Neighbourhood	20	20		6		
TCP2028	Understanding Cities	20		20	6		
TCP2031	Digital Civics	20		20	6		
TCP2033	Urban Infrastructures: A Lens on the City	20	20		6		
TCP2036	Global Course on Institutional Design for Spatial Planning	20		20	6		
TCP2037	Study Abroad for Stage 2	40	40		6		
TCP2038	Researching Local Economies (Placement)	20	20		6		

**Students who have transferred from Stage 1 of BA Hons Geography and Planning are required to take TCP2006 Design & Neighbourhood.*

(c) Students studying abroad take the 40 credit option TCP2037 in semester 1 + 20 credit core of the distance learning version of TCP2038 Researching Local Economies and follow the normal programme as per a) and b) above for stage two.

3. Year 3 (Placement Year)

(a) On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3 candidates may, as part of their studies for the degree, spend a year in a placement with an approved organisation. Permission to undertake a placement 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 placement until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 2 may not complete a placement year.

(b) All candidates shall take the following compulsory module:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Credits Sem 3</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
NCL3000	Career Service Placement Year Module	120	60	60		6		Blended Learning

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>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
TCP3028	Strategies into Action: Planning	20	20		6	Core	
TCP3053	Development Management	20		20	6	Core	
TCP3054	Planning Theory and Politics	20	20		6	Core	
TCP3099	Dissertation	40	20	20	6	Core	

(b) All candidates will select 20 credits from the optional project-based 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>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
APL3004	Chinese Cultural History and Urban Development	20		20	6		
TCP3056	Disasters, Monsters and Mess	20		20	6		Blended Learning
TCP3059*	Strategies Into Action: Urban Design	20		20	6		

* Students must have previously taken TCP2006.

5. Awards & Accreditation

Students will obtain Spatial RTP1 accreditation.

6. Assessment methods

The following assessment methods shall be used: unseen written examination papers; takeaway examination papers; project work and seminar presentations; assessment of submitted essays; assessment of fieldwork reports; dissertation. Further information on assessment pattern for each module is explained in the module outline.

7. Honours Performance

The final degree classification shall be worked out at a 1:2 weighting across stages 2 and 3.

8. Exemption

The programme has been granted an exemption from the Regulations for Taught Programmes to require all Stage 3 compulsory modules to be passed for the award of the degree.

9. Exit Award

Students who fail up to 20 credits of core modules in the final year of the programme will be entitled to (1601U) BA Hons Urban Planning –Unaccredited or (1691U) BA Hons Urban Planning (with Placement Year) – Unaccredited.