MASTER OF SCIENCE IN
HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

This is a credit-based qualification.

These regulations should not be read in isolation. It is important that you read them in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses).

MSc–HRM 1  DEGREE NAME

MSc–HRM 1.1  The University offers the Master of Science in Human Resource Management, referred to as the MSc in Human Resource Management. Holders of this qualification are permitted to use the letters MSc (HRM) (Open) after their names.

MSc–HRM 1.2  The University previously offered the Master of Science in Human Resource Management under a different structure and qualification code (F40). That version of the qualification was withdrawn at the end of 2014. Regulations for F40 are held on a separate document and may be requested from the Student Policy and Regulations team within Academic Services.

MSc–HRM 1.3  If you are awarded a distinction grade in the dissertation module and a distinction grade in at least another 30 credits, you will be awarded the degree with distinction.

MSc–HRM 1.4  If you are awarded a distinction grade in the dissertation module and a merit grade in at least another 60 credits, you will be awarded the degree with distinction.

MSc–HRM 1.5  If you are awarded a merit grade in the dissertation module and at least a merit grade in at least another 60 credits, you will be awarded the degree with merit.

MSc–HRM 2  REGISTRATION

MSc–HRM 2.1  To register as a student, you must adhere to registration regulations in the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses) and show evidence of suitable preparation for postgraduate study. The minimum entrance requirement is a first degree conferred by a UK university or other recognised degree-awarding body, or other qualification deemed to be equivalent and relevant by the Faculty Teaching Committee.

MSc–HRM 2.2  To be awarded the degree, you must declare it as an intended qualification and ensure that your credit is linked to it.

MSc–HRM 3  CREDIT REQUIREMENT

MSc–HRM 3.1  To be awarded the MSc in Human Resource Management you must successfully complete 180 credits from approved modules, of these:

(a)  60 credits must be from the two specified compulsory modules

Or:

(b)  60 credits must be from the specified FutureLearn module

(c)  60 credits are from either the specified option modules or from further specified compulsory modules

(c)  60 credits must be from the specified compulsory dissertation module
MSc–HRM 3.2 The Senate may permit you to qualify for the MSc in Human Resource Management if you have 180 credits, of which:

(a) 60 credits are from the Open University dissertation module

(b) not more than 120 are transferred credits.

MSc–HRM 3.3 The credit for this qualification must include from Open University modules a minimum amount of credit that meets the University’s unique study regulations, that minimum amount is 60 credits.

MSc–HRM 4 CREDIT TRANSFER

MSc–HRM 4.1 The credit transfer scheme for the MSc in Human Resource Management is governed by the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses).

MSc–HRM 4.2 Credit transfer is not permitted against the specified compulsory 60 credit dissertation given in regulation MSc–HRM 3.1 (c).

MSc–HRM 4.3 The maximum award of transferred credit allowed towards the MSc in Human Resource Management under the structure given in regulations MSc–HRM 3 is 120 credits.

MSc–FIN 5 PROGRESS TOWARDS THE DEGREE

MSc–HRM 5.1 The credit required from modules and any permitted credit transfer for the Master of Science in Human Resource Management under the structure given in regulations MSc–HRM 3 must be obtained during a period not exceeding seven years. You should study the modules in the specified sequence.