

Masters in Research

UCAS Code: N/A

Award on completion of programme: Masters in Research

Location of study: Hartpury University

Length of programme: 1 or 2 years (full-time), up to 3 years (part time)

Language of the programme: This programme is taught in English.

Entry Requirements:

Subject to Programme Manager or Module Leader approval that the student has sufficient contextual knowledge to succeed.

General: At least a lower second class (2:1) Honours Degree in a relevant subject

Students with non-relevant qualifications but with two or more years of relevant work experience will be considered on an individual basis

Mature and international applicants: Mature and international applicants are welcomed. Mature applicants that are not applying for a programme straight from formal education will be expected to demonstrate suitability for the course.

In the case of international applications, we will attempt to establish the equivalency of qualifications and the same criteria and assessment is used as for home students. An IELTS English qualification is expected for international applicants without a GCSE Grade C or above in English Language.

Potential applicants will be subject to an interview process during which they will be required to provide an outline of their targeted area of research; the programme team will retain the right to reject potential projects on the grounds of ethics or which fall outside of the subject scope of Hartpury University, unless provisional industry or academic collaborative partnerships are established to support the successful completion of the project.

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If you have completed learning towards a university level qualification, perhaps at another institution or with a professional body or have relevant work experience then you may be able to gain credit for this and/or enter the course at a later point than standard year one entry. For further information please contact our Admissions team, who will be pleased to help you.

Personalised offers will be made to each applicant based on their own merits. Non-academic and academic achievement will be considered.

Timetables: This programme offers students a range of delivery options depending on the modules selected. The majority of modules are offered via blended learning incorporating a mixture of taught sessions or alternative web-based interactive sessions and independent research, allowing students to

work around their other commitments and facilitating international study.

Programme Composition: This programme is comprised of different modules, focusing on research design and methods and which are focused around a specific area of study. The modular structure of the programme gives you flexibility and choice and you can attend introductory sessions for optional modules before having to finally decide which ones you wish to study. We usually offer all optional modules available to students however if we believe that we are unable to offer a high quality student experience (which can be particularly affected by low student demand) then we may make the decision not to offer it. If an optional module will not be run, we will advise you as soon as possible and help you choose an alternative module. Our teaching is informed by research, and modules change periodically to reflect developments in the discipline. These changes are informed by both industry and student consultation.

On completion and passing of these modules you gain academic credit that accumulates towards your award.

Module Information

Compulsory modules:

The Research Process: discussion of research methodologies and applications, as well as strengths, weaknesses, and limitations of different methods.

Applied Research Practice: students will explore literature, advanced research methodologies and data analysis aligned to an area of specific interest, leading to the design, completion and write up of a preliminary research project. Dissemination of research outputs will also be covered to develop students' scientific communication skills.

Extended Postgraduate Dissertation: students will develop and undertake a research project of their choosing.

Optional modules: An additional 15 credit approved Level 7 Hartpury validated module, can be selected from the suite of animal, agriculture, equine, sport and veterinary nursing and physiotherapy fields excluding Veterinary Physiotherapy Professional Practice modules.

Assessment Method: You will be assessed through a mixture of written, practical and oral exams, coursework and production of research reports. Many of the modules will be marked based on a mixture of assessment types, whilst others will be based solely on one type of assessment. The types of assessments will vary depending on which modules the student selects.

Discounts and special support associated with enrolling on the programme:

A £1000 bursary is available towards research costs. Hartpury and UWE alumni are entitled to a 20% discount on full-time postgraduate study fees or 10% off part-time fees. Hartpury also subsidises optional short courses for a reduced cost that give students the opportunity to gain relevant experience and qualifications prior to graduation. These are in addition to the discounts Hartpury usually offers to its students, such as free Wi-Fi on site. There is lots of support available to you whilst you study including allocation of a personal academic tutor that you will meet for 1:1 sessions.

Costs associated with the programme: The cost of the programme will be £6000 per year for UK and EU students subject to government approval. We will only increase our fees in accordance with guidelines laid down by the Office for Students (OfS). Additional costs associated with the programme will vary depending on the choice of modules selected.

For part-time costs please refer to the Hartpury Fee policy:

<http://www.hartpury.ac.uk/about-us/governance-and-policies/governance-and-policies/>

For more information on the admissions policy, please visit:

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