

# MScR Human Geography

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## A unique programme recognised by the Economic and Social Research Council and the Arts and Humanities Research Council

This programme's emphasis on independent research allows you to work closely with scholars who are leaders in their field. Research may be in any area of social, urban, environmental, development, political, economic, historical or cultural geography that is supported by the Human Geography Research Group. It is co-delivered with the University's Graduate School of Social Science. It offers a stepping stone to doctoral research in Human Geography and related disciplines.

The programme can stand alone as a masters degree, or form the first year of a '1+3' ESRC-backed PhD programme.

## Careers

Students completing this degree will be equipped to make a critical and methodologically appropriate contribution to Human Geography, other cognate fields of social or environmental science, as well as geographical problem-solving for a range of user communities. Many of our graduates continue in academia.

## *Studying MSc by Research Human Geography (2017 entry)*

We offer a balance between general and specialist research training. The programme combines lectures, practical work, workshops, essays, seminars and one-to-one supervision of independent research leading to delivery of a dissertation. Through consultation with your Programme Director you will also choose from a range of option courses.

### **Compulsory courses typically will be\*:**

Methodological Debates in Human Geography; Research Design in Human Geography; Core quantitative data analysis 1 and 2; Research Skills in the Social Sciences: Data Collection; Dissertation in Human Geography

### **Option courses may include\*:**

Conducting Research Interviews; Contemporary Issues in Social Theory; The Documents of Life; Explanation and Understanding in Social and Political Research; Intermediate Inferential Statistics: Testing and Modelling; Listening to Children: Research and Consultation; Political Ecology; Qualitative Methods and Ethnographic Fieldwork; Survey Methods and Data; Values and the Environment

\*Courses are offered subject to timetabling and availability

## Student Experience

*The programme is recognised by the Economic and Social Research Council and the Arts and Humanities Research Council. Historically, a highlight of the programme is the postgraduate conference where students present their research to their peers, PhD students and GeoSciences staff.*

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The School of GeoSciences is the largest grouping of GeoScientists in the UK, with around 400 academics, researchers and research students. The most recent Research Excellence Framework (REF 2014) rated our School as having the greatest concentration of 'world-leading' and 'internationally excellent' researchers in the field of GeoSciences in the UK. In 2016, the University was ranked 20th in the world in The Guardian University League Tables.

## Programme Delivery and Duration

The programme is delivered on-campus Full-time 12 months or Part-time 24 or 36 months.

## Entry Requirements

A UK 2:1 degree, or its international equivalent, although students holding a 2:2 honours degree, or its international equivalent, with appropriate work experience, may also be considered.

## English Language Requirements

IELTS 7.0 (with no score lower than 6.0 in each section) TOEFL-iBT: Total 100 (with no score lower than 20 in each section). A degree from an English speaking university may be accepted in some circumstances.

## 2017/18 indicative tuition fees:

Home/EU - £7,000

Overseas/International - £22,500

\* 2016/17 fees quoted. Please note that fees typically rise around 5% each year.

## Scholarships

Students applying for this programme may be eligible to apply for funding. Details of current opportunities may be found on our website. Deadlines apply so early application is encouraged.

## How to Apply

For more information and to apply for this programme online, please visit:

<http://www.ed.ac.uk/pg/86>

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