

# **CREDIT REQUIREMENTS: POSTGRADUATE**

#### Introduction

- 1. The University offers all undergraduate and postgraduate programmes as dual UK/US awards. The University may offer UK-only programmes with partners, on approval by the Academic Board. No students can apply for or be admitted to UK-only degree programmes unless explicitly stated in the Programme Specification under a partnership arrangement. The relevant UK and/or US degree requirements will be outlined in the University's Policies and the University's Programme and Course Listings.
- 2. Postgraduate students are normally subject to the degree requirements outlined in the Programme Specification in place at the time of their admission to the University. Readmitted students are normally subject to the degree requirements outlined in the Programme Specification in place at the time of their re-admission to the University (see Readmission Policy: Postgraduate).

### **General Principles – Dual US/UK programmes**

- 3. MBA and MSc students must complete an approved programme of 36 US/180 UK credits. This includes:
  - a. 26 US/130 UK credits of taught classes AND
  - a 4 US/20 UK credit internship and a 6 US/30 UK research project of 10,000 words (must be completed as credit at the University)
     OR
  - c. 10 US/50 UK research project of 15,000 words (must be completed as credit at the University)
- 4. MA students must complete an approved programme of 36 US/180 UK credits. This includes:
  - a. 24 credits of taught classes AND
  - a 4 US/20 UK credit internship and an 8 US/40 UK credit thesis/professional research project of 10,000 words (must be completed as credit at the University) OR
  - c. a 12 US/60 UK credit thesis/professional research project of 15,000 words (must be completed as credit at the University)
- 5. A maximum of 12 US/ 60 UK masters-level transfer credits for taught courses may be awarded upon entry. See Transfer Credit Policy.
- 6. Postgraduate students must successfully complete all taught components and assessments and maintain good academic standing to progress to the internship/project/dissertation stage.

- 7. Unless studying on a fully online programme (which would be stipulated at admission and detailed in the Programme Specification), all students on postgraduate programmes are required to be in London for thesis/professional research project supervision and seminars unless their internship takes them outside London.
- 8. Visa-sponsored students in the UK must meet attendance monitoring requirements until the end of the research semester. To be eligible for the Graduate Route Visa, students should remain in the UK for the duration of the programme. Seek further advice from the UKVI Compliance Team.

## **General Principles – UK-only programmes**

- 9. MBA and MSc students must complete an approved programme of 36 US/180 UK credits. This includes:
  - a. 26 US/130 UK credits of taught classes AND
  - a 4 US/20 UK credit internship and a 6 US/30 UK research project of 10,000 words (must be completed as credit at the University)
     OR
  - c. 10 US/50 UK research project of 15,000 words (must be completed as credit at the University)
- 10. MA students must complete an approved programme of 36 US/180 UK credits. This includes:
  - a. 24 credits of taught classes AND
  - a 4 US/20 UK credit internship and an 8 US/40 UK credit thesis/professional research project of 10,000 words (must be completed as credit at the University) OR
  - c. a 12 US/60 UK credit thesis/professional research project of 15,000 words (must be completed as credit at the University)
- 11. A maximum of 120 UK masters-level transfer credits for taught courses may be awarded upon entry. See Transfer Credit Policy.
- 12. Postgraduate students must successfully complete all taught components and assessments and maintain good academic standing to progress to the internship/project/dissertation stage, must be completed as credit at the University.

# **VERSION MANAGEMENT**

Responsible Department: Registry Services  Approving body: Academic Board			
001		24 July 2018	28 August 2018
002	Changed the name of the policy to Credit Requirements: Postgraduate		
003	Formatting updates, removed references to incompletes and extensions, and added credit thresholds for MSc awards.	24 July 2022	01 September 2022
004	Added UK-only transfer credit information, via partners. Clarified that transfer credit can only be accepted for taught courses. Added visa requirements on being in the UK during research semester.	July 2024	01 Sept 2024
		Restricted access?  Tick as appropriate □ Yes ☑ No	