



course factfile

Business and Law

MRes

The Master of Research (MRes) Business and Law represents a formal programme of training in research, combining generic elements together with specialist subject training.

At the culmination of the MRes, the research project undertaken in the dissertation module will demonstrate advanced subject knowledge, including the command of specialist skills and methodologies, to a standard, and of a volume, compatible with the research project component of taught Masters-level qualifications. Generic learning outcomes will include the advanced synthesis of literature, planning and conduct of a substantial research project, and critical analysis of research findings.

Programme Structure

The structure of the MRes conforms to the University's Modular Framework, and includes modules which are selected to enable students to gain the technical competence in research skills and methodologies, required to support further specialist research. The components of generic research training covers research methodologies applicable to a wide range of research fields, together with personal and transferable skills, including presentation skills, project planning and management, team working, and information skills such as access to the World Wide Web. This provides the student with a comprehensive training in generic skills and methodologies, in addition to the subject specific advanced technical training gained through a specialist research method module and the dissertation.

The modules undertaken are shown below.

Modules	Credit Rating	Module Status
Philosophical Approaches and Frameworks	20	Core
Critical Review of Literature	20	Core
Research Design, Data Collection and Management	20	Core
Qualitative Methods	20	Core
Specialist Research Methods	20	Core
Quantitative Methods	20	Core
Dissertation	60	Core

Attendance

Modules are delivered in 2 x 2 day blocks, except the Specialist Research Methods and Dissertation modules which involve a programme of study tailored to the needs of the individual student. The programme will commence in September each year.

Enrolment onto the PhD programme

The award is equivalent in level to a modular taught Masters degree, and can be progressed to further research at Ph.D. level. Therefore, students successfully completing the one-year full-time MRes programme, with 180 credits may seek to enrol for a PhD. As a guide, students seeking to enrol for direct entry onto PhD would normally be expected to attain both an overall mean mark for the programme of at least 60% and a mark of

60% or above in the dissertation module. Those students who successfully complete the MRes but do not reach this level of attainment may seek to enrol on the PhD programme via the MPhil transfer route.

Entry Requirements

An applicant shall normally hold at least an upper second class honours degree in a business or law-related subject from a University in the UK or a qualification that is regarded by the University as equivalent to such an honours degree.

The Programme Team has a strong commitment to widening participation and to this end welcomes non-standard applications. Applicants holding qualifications other than those detailed above who can demonstrate by reason of their previous experience that they have the qualifications and abilities to undertake Masters level study are encouraged to apply. In considering such applicants the Programme Admissions Panel will look for evidence of the candidate's ability and background knowledge through such sources as: professional experience, publications and written reports. The Programme Team may require additional material to be submitted in the form of a portfolio of evidence.

Programme Fees

Programme fees are set annually, for further information please contact the Programme Administrator on 0151 231 3800.

Location and Accommodation Information

Classes will be held at the John Foster building within the Mount Pleasant campus – to view a map and directions for the campus visit www.ljmu.ac.uk/location/routeplanner.asp?id=19. The LJMU Accommodation Office provides assistance to new students in finding a place in student accommodation situated close to the main teaching buildings. For further information please visit www.ljmu.ac.uk/Accommodation/.

Further Information

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