

University Calendar 2020/21

Academic Regulations: Faculty of Social Sciences

School	Southampton Business School
Final Award	Doctor of Business Administration (DBA)
Programme(s)	Doctor of Business Administration
Last modified	April 2020

The Academic Regulations which are detailed in Section V: [Regulations for Research Degrees and Higher Doctorates](#), and Section IV: [General Information and Regulations](#) of the Calendar, apply to and regulate the programme(s) listed above.

On occasion, programmes can be exempted from one or more of the clauses in the Regulations; one or more of the clauses can be varied; and programmes can impose additional requirements.

- Exemptions are characterised by the omission of the relevant clause.
- Variations are characterised by the replacement of the clause with alternative wording.
- Additions are characterised by requirements in addition to those detailed in the Academic regulations.

The programmes listed have approval from the Academic Quality and Standards Committee for the **exemptions** and/or **variations** and/or **additions** to the regulations noted below.

Exemptions:

The clause(s) listed below describe where an exemption to the Regulations exists:

None apply

Variations:

The clause(s) listed below describe where a variation to the Regulations exists:

The following variations apply to students commencing the DBA programme before the Academic Year 2018/19.

Existing University regulation		Approved Variation
Code of Practice for Research Degree Candidature and Supervision		
46	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing regular updates on progress (through Activity Reports on PGR tracker, or equivalent systems), at least every three months. 	Providing regular updates on progress (through Activity Reports on PGR Tracker, or equivalent systems), at least every six months.
61-62	Please refer to the Code of Practice for Research Degree Candidature and Supervision for original text.	<p>DBA students will be required to complete the progression milestones detailed below. Two attempts at each milestone are permitted; failure to meet the criteria for a successful progression review will lead to a termination of a student's candidature in line with the Procedures for Circumstances that may lead to Withdrawal or Termination.</p> <p>Thesis critique At month 12, DBA students will submit a 3000 word thesis critique for assessment by their supervisory team.</p> <p>Literature review At month 18, DBA students will submit a 5000 word literature review for assessment by their supervisory team.</p>

		<p>Reflective document At month 24, DBA students will submit a 5000 word reflective document for assessment by their supervisory team.</p> <p>Research proposal (Confirmation) At month 24, DBA students will submit a 10,000 word research proposal, which will form the Confirmation assessment, as stated in paragraphs 72-79 of the Code of Practice for Research Candidature and Supervision.</p> <p>Reflective document At month 36, the DBA students will submit a reflective document and evidence portfolio relating to professional development for assessment by their supervisory team.</p>
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Additional requirements:

The clause(s) listed below are in addition to the Regulations:

1. *DBA students will be required to Pass the module MANG7001 Research Methods, in months 1-24. Students will be awarded a Pass for a mark of 60 or greater. A Pass in MANG7001 will be considered to have partially fulfilled the criteria used by the Confirmation Panel to determine whether or not to recommend Confirmation of Doctoral Candidature.*

These regulations should be read in conjunction with the programme specification.

Disclaimer:

As a research-led University, we undertake a continuous review of our programmes to ensure quality enhancement and to manage our resources. As a result, these regulations may be revised during a student's period of registration; however, any revision will be balanced against the requirement that the student should receive the educational service expected. Please read our [Disclaimer](#) to see why, when and how changes may be made to a student's programme.