# **Programme Specification**

# **Economics and Accounting (2021-22)**

This specification provides a concise summary of the main features of the programme and the learning outcomes that a typical student might reasonably be expected to achieve and demonstrate if s/he takes full advantage of the learning opportunities that are provided.

Awarding Institution Teaching Institution Mode of Study Duration Accreditation details	University of Southampton University of Southampton Full-time 3 Years Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) Association of International Accountants (AIA) Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)
Final award Name of Award Interim Exit awards	Bachelor of Science with Honours (BSc (Hons)) Economics and Accounting Diploma of Higher Education (DipHE) Certificate of Higher Education (CertHE)
FHEQ level of final award UCAS code Programme Code QAA Subject Benchmark or other external reference Programme Lead Pathway Lead	Level 6 NL41 8732 Accounting 2019, Economics 2019 Panagiotis Giannarakis

## **Programme Overview**

#### Brief outline of the programme

The BSc Economics and Accounting combines the study of economics with a thorough working knowledge of accountancy. The subject combination is ideally suited for those interested in a career in economic or accounting consultancy or graduate studies in the subjects. By completing the degree programme you may gain exemptions from certain professional accounting examinations by the major UK professional accounting bodies and this degree is therefore also an ideal choice for those wishing to pursue a career in accountancy.

Our degrees are full-time honours programmes of three or four year duration. All programmes aim to provide knowledge of the key concepts and arguments in the relevant subjects together with the capacity to apply this knowledge in a variety of contexts. In addition, we seek to ensure that all of our students are able to use data and quantitative techniques appropriately and effectively. The overall programme structure is a flexible one, allowing you to discover and pursue your own interests - either by choice of options or, if appropriate, by changing degree programme in or at the end of year one.

The programme is taught in conjunction with the Business School, and is administered by Economics.

Your contact hours will vary depending on your module/option choices. Full information about contact hours is provided in individual module profiles.

#### Learning and teaching

Teaching takes place during two semesters, the first running from October to January and the second from February through to June. Eight subject modules are taken per year - normally four per semester.

For each module teaching comprises both lectures (two or three per week, depending on the module) and weekly or fortnightly smaller group classes, some of which will be computer-based. Your contact hours will vary depending on your module/option choices. Full information about contact hours is provided in individual module profiles. In a typical semester you would spend about twelve hours per week attending lectures and classes; in addition, we expect about twenty-eight hours of self-study (preparing for classes, writing essays and so on) bringing the weekly total to forty hours.

You will experience a wide variety of teaching methods and a range of opportunities for learning, designed to facilitate a progressively deeper understanding of the subjects and foster independent learning. Methods include:

- Lectures: This is an effective way of conveying information and explaining ideas. As your study progresses, the lectures explore the relevant issues in greater depth to reflect and further the development of your knowledge and understanding.

- Masterclasses: These larger group sessions are used to review and apply material that has been developed in the lecture. During the class the class tutor will go through problems and applications and demonstrate solution techniques and how to use concepts and methods from the lecture.

- Tutorials and Problem Classes: These smaller group sessions are used in quantitative and theoretical modules. Students are assigned a set of problems to complete before the class. During the class session the class tutor and students will go through the problems together.

- Classroom and lab experiments. You will have opportunity to take part in lab experiments and classroom experiments, to familiarise you with the decision and choice situation modelled in economics and to understand common biases and mistakes in decision-making.

Computer-based sessions: These smaller group sessions are used to familiarise students with computer-based research tools, such as statistical software, tools for literature searches or the Bloomberg Trading Suite.
Consultation with academic staff: All academic staff hold 'office hours', during which you can drop in for individual discussion of the ideas and arguments encountered in lectures and your reading, or which you have arrived at yourself.

- Research supervision: In the final part, you will undertake an extended research project in economics, supervised by a member of academic staff with expertise in the area it concerns. During the research project you will have the opportunity to meet with the supervisor to explore the issues it concerns, to receive guidance on your research and reading, and to receive feedback on the work as it progresses.

- Independent study: Independent study forms an essential part in the development of your knowledge and understanding. This will involve careful reading of primary and secondary texts, thoughtful reflection on issues raised in those texts or in class, and arriving at your own considered opinions on the topics you are studying.

#### Assessment

Most modules are assessed through a combination of coursework during the semester in which they are taught and final examination at the end of it.

A range of formative and summative assessment exercises are designed to enable you to demonstrate and apply your knowledge and understanding. Methods of assessment include:

- Exercises and problem sets

- (Short) essays and policy statements
- Literature review (as part of the final year research project)

- Research paper (as part of the final year research project)

- Library skills exercise (as part of the final year research project)

Assessment will come in one of the following forms:

- Written assessments, in form of a final exam, a mid-term test or graded coursework

- Presentations

- Team projects: some coursework assignments or presentations will be done in groups

Satisfactory performance in each of the first two Parts is required in order to progress to the following Part of the programme. The final degree classification is based only on marks from Parts II and III.

## Special Features of the programme

As part of the degree programme you will be equipped with basic skills in using Bloomberg for data analysis in our Bloomberg Trading Suite, preparing you for a career in finance and economics.

This degree programme can be combined with a year in employment after year 2 of the programme, or a semester abroad at another university in the final year of the programme.

Upon completion of this degree exemptions may be awarded by major UK professional accounting bodies

(ICAEW, ACCA, CIMA, AIA). The possible exemptions to be gained are dependent upon modules taken and grades obtained.

**Please note:** 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, this programme 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 <u>Disclaimer</u> to see why, when and how changes may be made to a student's programme.

Programmes and major changes to programmes are approved through the University's <u>programme validation</u> <u>process</u> which is described in the University's <u>Quality handbook</u>.

## **Educational Aims of the Programme**

offer you the opportunity to study both economics and accounting. In so doing, it equips you with the knowledge and understanding of methods and concepts in both economics and accounting and enables you apply both economic reasoning and accounting principles. The programme ideally prepares you for graduate study in the subjects and for a future career in accounting and economics.

The programme aims to:

- equip you with a knowledge and understanding of the core areas of accounting and economics;
- enable you to apply economic analysis to a range of policy problems;
- enable you to apply principles and methods in accounting;

- equip you with knowledge and understanding of the workings of the economy;

- equip you with appropriate conceptual and analytic tools, and to provide opportunities for the development and application of these tools;

- develop critical and evaluative thinking in the context of economics and accounting;

- enable you to develop, through the study of economics and accounting, a range of skills and abilities that will contribute to your effectiveness in employment;

- support you in becoming an independent learner, and in planning your studies and subsequent career.

## **Programme Learning Outcomes**

#### **Knowledge and Understanding**

On successful completion of this programme you will have knowledge and understanding of:

- A1. the central theoretical and practical concepts of microeconomics and macroeconomics
- A2. analytical methods, both theory and model based, and mathematical and statistical tools for economic and financial analysis
- A3. application of core economic theory and economic reasoning to applied topics, including the quantitative analysis of economic policy
- A4. current and possible alternative practices of accounting
- A5. the generation of accounting information relevant to internal and external users
- A6. the contexts in which financial and managerial information is gathered and used, and why this information is valuable in these contexts

You will be aided to gain knowledge and understanding of these aspects through lectures (all), tutorials and problem classes (all), computer-based sessions (A2), consultation with academic staff (all), independent study (all).

#### **Assessment Methods**

Your knowledge and understanding will be assessed through written unseen exams (all), problem sets (all), short essay questions and policy statements (A3), essays (in particular A4, A6), writing a research paper (in particular A2, A3, A4).

#### Subject Specific Intellectual and Research Skills

On successful completion of this programme you will be able to:

- B1. abstract the essential features of complex systems and provide a useable framework for the evaluation and assessment of the effects of policy and other exogenous events
- B2. apply logical analysis to assumption-based models and make use of inductive reasoning
- B3. retrieve, organise, analyse and present economic and accounting data in an informative manner
- B4. record and summarise transactions and other economic events, prepare financial statements, and analyse the operations of business
- B5. analyse and interpret financial and managerial data using adequate methods

#### **Teaching and Learning Methods**

Your intellectual and research skills will be developed through attending lectures (all), tutorials and problem classes (all), computer-based sessions (B3), consultation with academic staff (all) and carrying out independent study including leading to an extended assessed piece of research (all).

#### Assessment Methods

Your development in the appropriate skills will be assessed through written unseen exams (all), problem sets (all), data analysis exercises and essays (B3, B4, B5) (both individual and as team projects), and writing a research paper (all).

#### **Transferable and Generic Skills**

On successful completion of this programme you will be able to:

- C1. identify, select and access a range of sources as a means to the development and presentation of arguments and evidence
- C2. use quantitative reasoning and analyse and interpret data using adequate techniques
- C3. communicate logical arguments and quantitative reasoning in a range of formats
- C4. recognise problems and possible solutions associated with working in teams.

You will develop valuable transferable and skills through attending lectures (C2, C3, C4), tutorials and problem classes (all), computer-based sessions (C2), and carrying out independent study including leading to assessed pieces of research and critical writing (all)

#### **Assessment Methods**

Your development in the appropriate skills will be assessed through written unseen exams (C2, C3, C4), problem sets and data analysis projects (both individual and as team projects, C2, C3, C4), short essays and policy statements (C1, C3), a library skills exercise (C1), writing a literature review (C1, C2, C3) and a research paper (all).

## Programme Structure

The programme structure table is below:

Information about pre and co-requisites is included in individual module profiles.

Where optional modules have been specified, the following is an indicative list of available optional modules, which are subject to change each academic year. Please note in some instances modules have limited spaces available.

## Pathway

Part I

The programme is studied over three years full-time. Each year of full-time study corresponds to one of three Parts of the degree programme. There are 30 study weeks in each part, divided equally into two semesters. The programme has a range of Core, Compulsory and Optional modules. A Core module must be passed in order to progress to the next Part of the degree programme. For some Core modules you may have a choice between two modules. Some modules are Compulsory Options and you have a choice between two or three modules. In each part some of the Optional modules may be from disciplines other than Economics and Accounting. A list of Optional modules will be available to you via the Student Record Self-Service system.

You will have to take 8 modules (60 ECTS/120 CATS) in each Part of the programme, normally equally balanced across the two semesters. Each CATS point can be considered as the equivalent of approximately ten hours of study. All credit-bearing modules offered in this programme are 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS modules. The 150 hours of study for each module are divided into contact time (e.g. lectures, seminars, workshops) and non-contact time when you will be engaged in directed study (preparation for classes) and independent study when you will be involved in producing assignments and preparing and taking examinations.

All Economics programmes will equip you with the fundamental methods in economics during Parts I and II, comprising Mathematics and Statistics for Economics and two modules in Macroeeconomics and Microeconomics each. This is accompanied by two modules in Accounting in each Part. Parts II and III of this programme will allow you to focus more on the application of methods and concepts in economics and accounting to a variety of topics.

In each Part you must take a non-credit bearing Economic Skills and Employability module. It will be delivered mostly online and run through the whole year and support you with information and skills relevant for your academic and professional career.

In Part I all modules in Semester 1 are Core or Compulsory. However, depending on your A levels you will take either ECON1020 Foundations of Microeconomics, if you do not have Economics A levels, or ECON1022 Principles of Microeconomics, if you have Economics A levels. Also your Mathematics module in Semster 1 will depend on your A levels: you will take either ECON1005 Introduction to Maths for Economics, if you do not have A or B Mathematics A levels, or ECON1008 Mathematics for Economics, if you have A or B Mathematics A levels.

#### Part I Semester 1 Compulsory You must take the following module

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
MANG1004	Introduction to Accounting and Financial Control 2021-22	7.5	Compulsory

Part I Semester 1 Core

You must take and pass the following module

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
MANG1003	Introduction to Management 2021-22	7.5	Core

Part I Semester 1 Mathematics Core Options You must take 7.5ECTS/15CATS from the following;

Students WITH Mathematics A Level Grade A or B must take ECON1008 Mathematics for Economics

OR

Students WITHOUT Mathematics A Level Grade A or B must take ECON1005 Intro to Maths for Economics.

NOTE: This module will become CORE once selected.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON1005	Introduction to Mathematics for Economics 2021-22	7.5	Optional/Core
ECON1008	Mathematics for Economics 2021-22	7.5	Optional/Core

Part I Semester 1 Microeconomics Core Options You must take 7.5ECTS/15CATS from the following

Students WITHOUT Economics A Level must take ECON1020 Foundations of Microeconomics

OR

Students WITH Economics A Level must take ECON1022 Principles of Microeconomics.

NOTE: This module will become CORE once selected.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON1020	Foundations of Microeconomics 2021- 22	7.5	Optional/Core
ECON1022	Principles of Microeconomics 2021-22	7.5	Optional/Core

#### Part I Semester 2 Core

You must take and pass the following modules

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
MANG1001	Financial Accounting 1 2021-22	7.5	Core
MANG1002	Management Accounting 1 2021-22	7.5	Core
ECON1021	Principles of Macroeconomics 2021-22	7.5	Core
ECON1007	Statistics for Economics 2021-22	7.5	Core

#### Part I Whole Year Compulsory

You must take the non-credit bearing Economic Skills and Employability module. It will run through the

whole year and support you with information and skills relevant for your academic and professional career.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON1016	Economics Skills and Employability 1	0	Compulsory
	2021-22		

Part II

In Part II you will continue with studying a variety of methods in Economics and Accounting.

In each Part you must take a non-credit bearing Economic Skills and Employability module. It will be delivered mostly online and run through the whole year and support you with information and skills relevant for your academic and professional career.

#### Part II Semester 1 Compulsory You must take the following modules

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
MANG2003	Financial Accounting 2 2022-23	7.5	Compulsory
ECON2037	Intermediate Macroeconomics 2022- 23	7.5	Compulsory
ECON2039	Intermediate Microeconomics 2022-23	7.5	Compulsory

Part II Semester 1 Options

You must select 7.5ECTS/15CATS from the following

You may select modules from LANGXX15, LANGXX30 (year long module), UOSMXX15 and modules from level NQF5 in subject MANG, DEMO and PAIR.

If you want to select a LANGXX30 module you do not need to select a module in Semester 2.

A list of recommended optional modules follows.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
MANG2015	Financial Management 2022-23	7.5	Optional
ECON2043	Introduction to Econometrics 2022-23	7.5	Optional
MANG2001	Organisation and Management 2022- 23	7.5	Optional

Part II Semester 2 Compulsory

You must take the following modules

ECON2034 is a non-credit bearing module that will support you with information and basic skills for the Economics dissertation in Part III.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON2034	ECON Dissertation: Prelim Info 2022-	0	Compulsory
	23		
MANG2005	Management Accounting 2 2022-23	7.5	Compulsory
MANG2004	Portfolio Theory and Financial Markets	7.5	Compulsory
	2022-23		

Part II Semester 2 Economics Applications Compulsory Options You must select between 7.5ECTS/15CATS and 15ECTS/30CATS from the following modules

Note that ECON2004 is a prerequisite for ECON3010 Topics in Macroeconomics in Part III.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON2013	Development Economics 2022-23	7.5	Optional
ECON2005	Industrial Economics 2022-23	7.5	Optional

	ECON2004	Topics in Macroeconomics 2 2022-23	7.5	Optional
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Part II Semester 2 Options

You may select between 0 and 7.5ECTS/15CATS from the following

You may select modules from LANGXX15, LANGXX30 (year long module), UOSMXX15 and modules from level NQF5 module in subjects ECON, MANG, PAIR or DEMO.

If you want to select a LANGXX30 module you need to select that module in Semester 1.

A list of recommended option modules follows.

Note that ECON2038 Applied Econometrics is a prerequisite for the Research Project path of the Economics dissertation, and requires selecting Introduction to Econometrics in S1.

Note that MANG2064 Business Research is a prerequisite for MANG3025 Dissertation.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON2038	Applied Econometrics 2022-23	7.5	Optional
MANG2064	Business Research 2022-23	7.5	Optional
MANG2066	Principles of Audit and Taxation 2022-	7.5	Optional
	23		

Part II Whole Year Compulsory

You must take the non-credit bearing Economic Skills and Employability module. It will run through the whole year and support you with information and skills relevant for your academic and professional career.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON2035	Economics Skills and Employability 2 2022-23	0	Compulsory

#### Part III

During Part III you will undertake a research project or dissertation, which can be taken in Economics or Accounting. In Economics, the dissertation consists of two modules, one in each semester. In Semester 1 you will produce a literature review. In Semester 2 you will engage in your own research, and choose either (each will be Core when chosen):

- ECON3037 Dissertation: Research Project, an in-depth scientific study yielding a dissertation or

- ECON3038 Dissertation: Research Topics, to study contemporaneous economic problems yielding a couple of research papers (this choice requires ECON2038 Applied Econometrics or ECON2007 Econometrics with Big Data in Part II).

In Accounting the dissertation consists of a year-long module, which requires MANG2064 in Part II as a prerequisite.

The dissertation modules comprise 300 hours of study divided into contact time (workshops and supervisory tutorials) and a significantly larger portion of hours allocated to non-contact, independent study time. This is because the dissertation is designed to foster independent inquiry and is the culmination of three levels of study, enabling you to apply theories and methods explored at all parts and to examine one area of the discipline in detail.

In each Part you must take a non-credit bearing Economic Skills and Employability module. It will be delivered mostly online and run through the whole year and support you with information and skills relevant for your academic and professional career.

Part III Semester 1 Compulsory You must take the following module

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
MANG3003	Financial Accounting 3 2023-24	7.5	Compulsory

Part III Semester 1 Dissertation Core Options

You must select one of the following modules

ECON3036 Dissertation: Literature is part of an Economics dissertartion.

MANG3025 Dissertation is a year long dissertation module in Management, requiring MANG2064 in Part II.

The module becomes Core once chosen.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
MANG3025	Dissertation 2023-24	15	Optional/Core
ECON3036	Dissertation: Literature Review 2023-	7.5	Optional/Core
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Part III Semester 1 Economics Application Compulsory Options You must select betwen 7.5ECTS/15CATS and 15ECTS/30CATS from the following modules

If you have NOT taken ECON2038 Applied Econometrics in Part II you MUST select ECON3007.

If you have taken ECON2038 Applied Econometrics in Part II you MUST NOT select ECON3007

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON3007	Applied Economics 2023-24	7.5	Optional
ECON3027	Labour Economics 2023-24	7.5	Optional
ECON3015	Principles of Finance 2023-24	7.5	Optional

Part III Semester 1 Options

You may select between 0 up to 7.5ECTS/15CATS from the following

You may select modules from LANGXX15, LANGXX30 (year long module) and modules from level NQF6 in ECON, DEMO, MANG and PAIR.

If you select a LANGXX30 module you do not need to select a module in Semester 2.

A list of recommended optional modules follows.

Note that MANG3076 requires MANG2066 in Part II.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре	
MANG3076	Advanced Taxation 2023-24	7.5	Optional	
MANG3030	Financial Analysis, Information and	7.5	Optional	
	Markets 2023-24			

Part III Semester 2 Compulsory

You must take the following module

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
MANG3006	Management Accounting 3 2023-24	7.5	Compulsory

Part III Semester 2 Dissertation Core Options

If you have selected ECON3036 Dissertation: Literature Review in Semester 1, you must select one of the following modules. If you have selected MANG3025 you must not select any of the following modules.

Note that ECON3037 Research Project requires ECON2038 Applied Econometrics or ECON2007 Econometrics with Big Data in Part II.

The module will become Core once chosen.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON3037	Dissertation: Research Project 2023-24	7.5	Optional/Core
ECON3038	Dissertation: Research Topics 2023-24	7.5	Optional/Core

Part III Semester 2 Economics Application Compulsory Options You must select between 7.5ECTS/15CATS and 15ECTS/30CATS from the following modules

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON3034	International Trade 2023-24	7.5	Optional
ECON3008	Macroeconomic Policy 3 2023-24	7.5	Optional
ECON3004	Public Economics 2023-24	7.5	Optional

Part III Semester 2 Options

You may select 0 up to 7.5ECTS/15CATS from the following

You may select modules from LANGXX15, LANGXX30 (year long module) and modules from level NQF6 in ECON, DEMO, MANG and PAIR.

If you select a LANGXX30 module you need to select it in Semester 1.

A list of recommended optional modules follows.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
MANG3015	Auditing 2023-24	7.5	Optional
MANG3021	Corporate Governance 2023-24	7.5	Optional
ECON3016	Empirical Finance 2023-24	7.5	Optional

Part III Whole Year Compulsory

You must take the non-credit bearing Economic Skills and Employability module. It will run through the whole year and support you with information and skills relevant for your academic and professional career.

Code	Module Title	ECTS	Туре
ECON3033	Economics Skills and Employability 3	0	Compulsory
	2023-24		

## **Progression Requirements**

The programme follows the University's regulations for <u>Progression, Determination and Classification of</u> <u>Results : Undergraduate and Integrated Masters Programmes</u> or <u>Progression, Determination and</u> <u>Classification of Results: Postgraduate Master's Programmes</u>. Any exemptions or variations to the University regulations, approved by AQSC are located in <u>section VI of the University Calendar</u>.

## Support for student learning

There are facilities and services to support your learning some of which are accessible to students across the University and some of which will be geared more particularly to students in your particular Faculty or discipline area.

The University provides:

- library resources, including e-books, on-line journals and databases, which are comprehensive and up-todate; together with assistance from Library staff to enable you to make the best use of these resources
- high speed access to online electronic learning resources on the Internet from dedicated PC Workstations onsite and from your own devices; laptops, smartphones and tablet PCs via the Eduroam wireless network. There is a wide range of application software available from the Student Public Workstations.
- computer accounts which will connect you to a number of learning technologies for example, the Blackboard virtual learning environment (which facilitates online learning and access to specific learning resources)
- standard ICT tools such as Email, secure filestore and calendars.
- access to key information through the MySouthampton Student Mobile Portal which delivers timetables, Module information, Locations, Tutor details, Library account, bus timetables etc. while you are on the move.
- IT support through a comprehensive website, telephone and online ticketed support and a dedicated helpdesk in the Hartley Library.
- Enabling Services offering support services and resources via a triage model to access crisis management, mental health support and counselling. Support includes daily Drop In at Highfield campus at 13.00 -

15.00 (Monday, Wednesday and Friday out of term-time) or via on-line chat on weekdays from 14.00 - 16.00. Arrangements can also be made for meetings via Skype.

- assessment and support (including specialist IT support) facilities if you have a disability, long term health problem or Specific Learning Difficulty (e.g. dyslexia)
- the Student Services Centre (SSC) to assist you with a range of general enquiries including financial matters, accommodation, exams, graduation, student visas, ID cards
- Career and Employability services, advising on job search, applications, interviews, paid work, volunteering and internship opportunities and getting the most out of your extra-curricular activities alongside your degree programme when writing your CV.
- Other support that includes health services (GPs), chaplaincy (for all faiths) and 'out of hours' support for students in Halls and in the local community (18.00-08.00).
- A Centre for Language Study, providing assistance in the development of English language and study skills for non-native speakers.

The Students' Union provides

- an academic student representation system, consisting of Course Representatives, Academic Presidents, Faculty Officers and the Vice-President Education; SUSU provides training and support for all these representatives, whose role is to represent students' views to the University.
- opportunities for extracurricular activities and volunteering
- an Advice Centre offering free and confidential advice including support if you need to make an academic appeal
- Support for student peer-to-peer groups, such as Nightline.

## Methods for evaluating the quality of teaching and learning

You will have the opportunity to have your say on the quality of the programme in the following ways:

- Completing student evaluation questionnaires for each module of the programme.
- Acting as a student representative on various committees, e.g. Staff/Student Liaison Committees, School Programmes Committee OR providing comments to your student representative to feedback on your behalf.
- Serving as a student representative on Faculty Scrutiny Groups for programme validation.
- Taking part in programme validation meetings by joining a panel of students to meet with the Faculty Scrutiny Group.

Further details on the University's quality assurance processes are given in the **Quality handbook**.

## **Career Opportunities**

Employability is embedded into modules from the first part onwards and right from the first lecture. We explain the degree skills which are taught throughout the modules and offer a number of optional employability modules.

The skills you will acquire are in high demand. Our degrees are a passport to vocational and non-vocational careers alike, with recent graduates employed in a diverse range of professions.

## External Examiner(s) for the programme

Name: Anurag Banerjee

Name: Professor Dieter Balkenborg - University of Exeter

Name: Dr Panayiotis Pourpourides - University of Cardiff

and examination process for the programme with their Course Representative, for consideration through Staff: Student Liaison Committee in the first instance, and Student representatives on Staff: Student Liaison Committees will have the opportunity to consider external examiners' reports as part of the University's quality assurance process.

External examiners do not have a direct role in determining results for individual students, and students wishing to discuss their own performance in assessment should contact their Personal Academic Tutor in the first instance.

**Please note:** This specification provides a concise summary of the main features of the programme and the learning outcomes that a typical student might reasonably be expected to achieve and demonstrate if they take full advantage of the learning opportunities that are provided. More detailed information can be found in the programme handbook.

## Appendix 1:

Students are responsible for meeting the cost of essential textbooks, and of producing such essays, assignments, laboratory reports and dissertations as are required to fulfil the academic requirements for each programme of study. In addition to this, students registered for this programme also have to pay for:

Туре	Details
Approved Calculators	Candidates may use calculators in the examination room only as specified by the University and as permitted by the rubric of individual examination papers. The University approved models are Casio FX-570 and Casio FX-85GT Plus. These may be purchased from any source.
Exemptions	Following the successful performance in the relevant modules, there can be additional costs if students subsequently decide to claim the exemptions.
Hardware	Publicly available workstations and some available via iSolutions, but otherwise purchase.
Printing and Photocopying Costs	In the majority of cases, coursework such as essays; projects; dissertations is likely to be submitted on line. However, there are some items where it is not possible to submit on line and students will be asked to provide a printed copy. A list of the University printing costs can be found here: http://www.southampton.ac.uk/isolutions/students/printing-for- students.page
Software Licenses	Publicly available software in public workstations and some available via iSolutions, but otherwise purchase.
Stationery	You will be expected to provide your own day-to-day stationery items, e.g. pens, pencils, notebooks, etc.). Any specialist stationery items will be specified under the Additional Costs tab of the relevant module profile.
Textbooks	Where a module specifies core texts these should generally be available on the reserve list in the library. However due to demand, students may prefer to buy their own copies. These can be purchased from any source.
	Some modules suggest reading texts as optional background reading. The library may hold copies of such texts, or alternatively you may wish to purchase your own copies. Although not essential reading, you may benefit from the additional reading materials for the module.

In some cases you'll be able to choose modules (which may have different costs associated with that module) which will change the overall cost of a programme to you. Details of such costs will be listed in the Module Profile. Please also ensure you read the section on additional costs in the University's Fees, Charges and Expenses Regulations in the University Calendar available at <u>www.calendar.soton.ac.uk</u>.