Addendum to the Programme Specification

4904 BSc Geology with Physical Geography

This Addendum has been produced to highlight the key changes made to the existing Programme Specification as a result of the University's response to the Covid-19 Pandemic. You should read it in conjunction with the relevant Programme Specification from the year you started your programme.

Programme Specification for entry in 2020-21 Programme Specification for entry in 2019-20 Programme Specification for entry in 2018-19 Programme Specification for entry in 2017-18

University level information

In view of COVID-19, the University has had to make changes to some elements of programme delivery for 2020-21. These changes have included the method of delivery, such as face-to-face and online, and the number of modules available.

The University aims to provide as much of a face-to-face component to your education as prevailing conditions at the time allow, combined with its new blended approach that will develop active independent and group online learning.

As the COVID-19 pandemic develops, the University's response to this and other issues may likewise need to evolve. The University will consult with student representatives as necessary and appropriate and will communicate changes to you as soon as practicable so that you have the information you need to understand how a change may impact you and what steps you need to take next. The University remains committed to supporting you as you learn.

Programme Information

In light of Covid-19, there will be a change to how some modules will be organised. Field and lab work remain a mandatory part of the programme, but will be offered in line with current social distancing and local and international guidelines.

There will be no year 1 module options available. All students will be taking a MATH module depending on previous qualification. All students will be taking GEOG 1002 Dynamic Landscapes.

Some Year 2 & 3 modules have changed Semester.

SOES 3004 Micropalaeontology is withdrawn.

Programme Structure

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 that, in some instances, modules have limited spaces available.

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Part 1

You must complete all Compulsory modules.

You must choose 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS of optional modules.

Choose MATH1008 if you have A-Level Mathematics (Grade A or B), or equivalent, or are entering from the Foundation Year having attained more than 75% in Maths. In all other cases, choose SOES1010.

Semester 1	Semester 2						
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type
SOES1014 Key Skills for Geoscientists (Full Year Module)							Comp
GEOG1002 Dynamic Landscapes	7.5	15	Comp	GEOG1001 The Earth System	7.5	15	Comp
SOES1001 Earth Materials	7.5	15	Comp	SOES1002 Dynamic Earth	7.5	15	Comp
SOES1008 Earth and Ocean System	7.5	15	Comp	SOES1009 The Living Earth	7.5	15	Comp
MATH1008 Mathematical Methods for Scientists 1a	7.5	15	Option				
SOES1010 Quantitative Earth and Ocean Sciences	7.5	15	Option				

Part 2

You must complete all Compulsory modules.

You must choose a total of 22.5 ECTS/45 CATS of optional modules.

You must choose 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS from Group 1 and 15 ECTS/30 CATS from Group 2.

Please ensure that you select an even split of credits overall by Semester including your compulsory modules.

With permission from the programme lead SOES2032 can be substituted by SOES2004.

Semester 1			Semester 2					
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type	
SOES2034 Key Skills and Fieldwork for Ge	SOES2034 Key Skills and Fieldwork for Geologists (Full Year Module)							
SOES2037 Structural Geology and GIS	7.5	15	Comp	SOES2013 Sedimentary Systems and Processes	7.5	15	Comp	
SOES2038 Exploration Geophysics and Remote Sensing	7.5	15	Comp	SOES2032 Palaeobiology	7.5	15	Comp	

Part 2 Group 1

You must choose 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS of optional modules from Group 1.

Semester 1	Semester 2						
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type
SOES2018 Geochemistry	7.5	15	Option	SOES2017 Marine Benthic Ecology	7.5	15	Option
SOES2003 Geohazards and Earth Resources	7.5	15	Option	SOES2027 Monitoring Coastal and Estuarine Environments	7.5	15	Option
				SOES2004 Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology	7.5	15	Option

Part 2 Group 2

You must choose 15 ECTS/30 CATS of optional modules from Group 2.

Semester 1				Semester 2					
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type		
GEOG2007 Remote Sensing for Earth Observation	7.5	15	Option	<u>GEOG2006</u> Quaternary Environmental Change	7.5	15	Option		
				GEOG2032 Global Climate Change: Science, Impacts and Policy	7.5	15	Option		

Part 3

You must complete all Compulsory modules.

You must choose a total of 52.5 ECTS/105 CATS of optional modules.

You must choose 15 ECTS/30 CATS from Group 1, 22.5 ECTS/45 CATS from Group 2 and 15 ECTS/30 CATS from Group 3.

Please ensure that you select an even split of credits overall by Semester including your compulsory modules.

For **SOES3020** there is a fieldtrip to Tenerife as part of this module and you will be asked to pay towards some of the costs.

Semester 1				Semester 2			
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type
				SOES3006 The Evolving Earth	7.5	15	Comp

Part 3 Group 1

You must choose 15 ECTS/30 CATS of optional modules from Group 1.

Semester 1	Semester 2						
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type
SOES3025 Independent Mapping Project	SOES3025 Independent Mapping Project						Option
SOES3027 Independent Research Project (Geology)						30	Option

Part 3 Group 2

You must choose 22.5 ECTS/45 CATS of optional modules from Group 2.

Semester 1				Semester 2					
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type		
SOES3015 Palaeoclimate Change	7.5	15	Option	SOES3005 Sediments: Modern and Ancient	7.5	15	Option		
SOES3020 Volcanic and Mantle Processes	7.5	15	Option	SOES3002 Petroleum Geology and Mineral Resources	7.5	15	Option		
SOES3008 Environmental and Engineering Geology	7.5	15	Option	SOES3029 Seafloor Exploration and Surveying	7.5	15	Option		
				SOES3032 Global Tectonics	7.5	15	Option		

Part 3 Group 3

You must choose 15 ECTS/30 CATS of optional modules from Group 3.

Semester 1				Semester 2					
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type		
SOES3020 Glaciers and Glaciation	7.5	15	Option	<u>GEOG3004</u> Arctic and Alpine Landscapes in Transition	7.5	15	Option		
GEOG3048 Desert Landscapes: Modelling and Measuring Aeolian Systems	7.5	15	Option						