

Addendum to the Programme Specification

4906 MSc Oceanography (FT)

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 boat work activities will be organised. Boat work remains a mandatory part of the programme, but will be offered in line with current social distancing and local and international guidelines.

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.

Part 1

You must complete all Compulsory modules.

Semester 1				Semester 2			
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type
SOES6018 MSc Key Skills and Literature Review (Full Year Module)					7.5	15	Comp
SOES6013 Introduction to Biological Oceanography	3.75	7.5	Comp				
SOES6014 Introduction to Physical Oceanography	3.75	7.5	Comp				

SOES6015 Introduction to Chemical Oceanography	3.75	7.5	Comp				
SOES6016 Introduction to Marine Geology	3.75	7.5	Comp				
				SOES6039 Oceanography Research Project	30	60	Comp

Part 1 Group 1

You must choose TWO of the following:

Semester 1				Semester 2			
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type
SOES6004 Applied and Marine Geophysics	7.5	15	Option				
SOES6005 Large Scale Ocean Processes and Climate	7.5	15	Option				
SOES6007 Biogeochemical Cycles in the Earth System	7.5	15	Option				
SOES6008 Deep Sea Ecology	7.5	15	Option				
SOES6025 Computational Data Analysis	7.5	15	Option				
SOES6037 Geodynamics and Solid Earth Geophysics	7.5	15	Option				
SOES6076 Marine Conservation and Policy	7.5	15	Option				

Part 1 Group 2

You must choose THREE of the following:

Semester 1				Semester 2			
Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module type	Modules	ECTS	CATS	Module Type
				SOES6021 Ecological Modelling	7.5	15	Option
				SOES6079 Climate and Climate Change	7.5	15	Option
				SOES6023 Environmental Radioactivity and Radiochemistry	7.5	15	Option
				SOES6017 Introductory Remote Sensing of the Ocean	7.5	15	Option
				SOES6024 Seafloor Exploration and Surveying 2	7.5	15	Option
				SOES6011 Sea Level Rise and Coastal Management	7.5	15	Option
				SOES6051 Reproduction in Marine Invertebrates	7.5	15	Option