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# **About your course**

#### **Courses covered**

Code	Title
LMTPPGC LMTPPGD LMTPM LMTPM LMTPARM	Postgraduate Certificate Transport Planning Postgraduate Diploma Transport Planning MSc Transport Planning MSc Transport Planning (Sandwich) MSc Transport Planning (with Advanced Research)

#### You can find full details of the course in the *Programme Specification*.

## **Important points**

The MSc Transport Planning Programme provides students with the skills they need in order to meet contemporary sustainability challenges in transport planning. The course offers students opportunities to gain valuable skills that make them highly employable and allows them to contribute to a much needed and fast changing professional area. The course provides graduates with excellent opportunities in transport planning and other related careers.

Full-time and part-time students are taught together on modules that are delivered in 2- or 3-day blocks (Thursday to Saturday or Friday/Saturday) which are followed by assignments in the subsequent 4-8 weeks supported by assignment briefings and tutorials. This mode of delivery ensures that study can be combined with employment.

Attendance at the block-delivered sessions is compulsory. Non-attendance without a valid reason may result in failing the module affected. Attendance at regular weekday Research Methods tutorials and Study Skills module sessions is compulsory for full-time students and part-time students. There is one Saturday session on Geographical Information Systems (GIS) on Study Skills, which must be attended by both full- and part-time students.

Students may enrol for a Semester A (September) or Semester B (January) start, on a full-time or part-time basis. International students may only enrol for full-time MSc programmes. Students undertaking the MSc Transport Planning (Sandwich) programme may only enrol on a full-time basis with a Semester A start.

The MSc Transport Planning (Sandwich) pathway is a two-year programme that provides students with the opportunity to gain practical experience in a UK professional Transport Planning workplace and strengthen their employability skills. In order to be eligible for this award, students must complete a minimum of 30 weeks placement activity and pass the work placement assessment. Students have to secure their own placement with the help of the University's Careers Service. Those who are unsuccessful in doing so or who are not eligible to progress to the placement year because of academic failure will be transferred to another pathway. Students on a UKVI visa who are transferred onto another pathway will not be eligible to apply for a graduate visa. The award of an MSc Transport Planning (Sandwich) requires 180 credit points passed including at least 150 at level 7 including the Research Project Transport Planning and Work Placement modules. The Research Methods module must be passed in order to undertake the Research Project Transport Planning module. Students must pass 105 credits in order to be eligible to undertake the Work Placement module.

The MSc Transport Planning (with Advanced Research) is a two-year programme providing students with the opportunity to gain research experience to develop and enhance their research profile. The award of an MSc Transport

Planning (with Advanced Research) requires 240 credit points passed including at least 150 at level 7 including the Internship and Extended Research Project – Transport Planning modules. The Research Methods module must be passed in order to undertake the Extended Research Project – Transport Planning module. Students on a UKVI visa who are transferred onto another pathway will not be eligible to apply for a graduate visa.

In order to eligible for the MSc award, all students will have to complete and pass the 0-credit Study Skills module (for full-time and part-time students).

### **Academic Year**

#### Academic Year 2021 - 2022

The University's academic year is made up of 3 semesters. Normally, most undergraduate programmes use Semesters A and B, additionally postgraduate programmes and specific undergraduate programmes use Semester C. Each of these is made up of teaching weeks followed by exams (the re-sit period falls within Semester C).

- Semester A runs from Monday 27 September 2021 to Friday 21 January 2022
- Semester B runs from Monday 24 January 2022 to Friday 13 May 2022
- Semester C runs from Monday 16 May 2022 to Friday 09 September 2022

## **Additional expenses**

Description	Year	Mandatory/ Optional	Estimated cost
Incidental expenses on field trips. These include the cost of food and drinks throughout the residential trip other than bed and breakfast which is covered in the course costs. Students will also need to cover any social costs they choose to expend which are not part of the itinerary.	1	Optional	c£20-£30 per day over 6 days
Placement travel expenses and/or accommodation expenses	2	Mandatory on the Sandwich award	This will depend on the location of the placement institution

Additional expenses may be incurred for the following:

- Computing hardware and software to support online learning if not already owned.
- Research projects, depending on the nature and location of the research, and methods used. Examples
  include travel to and from research sites. These will be specific to each project and can be taken into
  consideration when research topics are developed.