

## Programme Specification

Programme Summary Information				
1	<b>Programme Title</b>		MSc Project Management	
2	<b>University of Sunderland Course Code</b>	PMPRJMGGM	<b>UCAS Code</b>	Not applicable – Direct Entry
3	<b>Awarding Institution</b>		University of Sunderland	
4	<b>Teaching Institution(s)</b> (if different from point 3)			
5	<b>Professional Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB)</b> (if applicable)		Not applicable, although the programme has taken account of PSRB guidance no PSRB accreditation is proposed.	

6	Programme Description
	<p><b>Overview</b></p> <p>The programme is designed to produce graduates who are able to operate as critical and effective project managers who can deploy advanced research and analysis skills to enhance their practice. This MSc Project Management course is designed to teach people from any discipline or degree background, making it accessible from a business, arts or technical background.</p> <p>The course has been designed in line with the requirements of both the Association for Project Management (APM) and the Project Management Institute (PMI).</p> <p><b>What's covered in the course?</b></p> <p>The taught modules ensure you develop a well-rounded set of project and general management skills, including Project Management Basics, Project Delivery Methods including Agile, International Project Management, Managing People and Project Leadership, Understanding Organisations, Project Funding and Tendering, Project Risk Management and Quality Management. Speakers from outside the University also contribute to the course, providing real-world case studies.</p> <p>A key part of the programme is the dissertation. The dissertation must be about an area of project management or an area of managing a project but even with this constraint a wide variety of dissertation research topics are possible.</p> <p><b>Where will I study?</b></p> <p>The programme will be delivered at the University's St Peter's campus and various partners.</p>

7	Programme Awards

7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	MSc Project Management	7	180
7b	Exit Awards and Credit Awarded		
	Postgraduate Certificate of Higher Education in Project Management	7	60
	Postgraduate Diploma of Higher Education in Project Management	7	120

8	Programme Specific Regulations
	None

9a		
Mode(s) of Study	Location/Campus	Duration of Study
Full time	Sunderland	1 to 2 years
Part time	Sunderland	2 to 4 years

9b	
Is this programme delivered at a <a href="#">Transnational (TNE) partner</a> ?	Yes
Is this programme delivered at <a href="#">UK Further Education Colleges</a> ?	No

10	Entry Requirements
	<p>The admission requirements for this programme as stated on the course page of the University of Sunderland website at <a href="https://www.sunderland.ac.uk/">https://www.sunderland.ac.uk/</a>, or found by searching for the course entry profile located on the <a href="#">UCAS website</a> are correct. YES</p> <p>This programme is suitable for students to enter with advanced standing (eg APL) YES</p> <p>Entry to the programme with advanced standing is possible for the taught elements of the programme i.e. the modules ENGM91, CETM10, ENGM115, ENGM116 and ENGM117 via the usual University of Sunderland APL processes. Students may not claim advanced standing against the Project/Dissertation (ENGM123).</p>

11	Programme Learning Outcomes
	By the end of the <b>Postgraduate Certificate Stage</b> of the programme successful students will be able to do the following:
1	Independently and objectively, critically review, evaluate, consolidate and extend their knowledge to produce a systematic and coherent body of information
2	Apply knowledge and skills in a range of activities in project and engineering management.
3	Conduct a thorough appraisal and understanding of the current methods and concepts at the forefront of project management.

4	Demonstrate a thorough and critical understanding of key aspects of the academic discipline, including project control; commercial, contractual and legal matters; and organisational structures.
5	Demonstrate a critical understanding of research methods relative to the discipline area.
	By the end of the <b>Postgraduate Diploma Stage</b> of the programme successful students will be able to do the following:
6	Work independently and use appropriate tools and techniques to make objective decisions relating to complex engineering management problems.
7	Communicate effectively through presentational and report writing skills.
8	Define, identify, quantify and assess elements of risk.
9	Apply appropriate project management methodologies and tools for planning and control of project cost and schedules.
10	Appreciate the importance of teamwork and communications management.
11	Display a critical awareness of the implications of people, leadership and structures upon project delivery.
12	Demonstrate a critical awareness of risk management methods and their relevance in a systems change context.
13	Demonstrate a critical awareness of the importance of and approaches to project governance.
14	Display a critical understanding of issues in and approaches to management of disparate, multi-site, multi-disciplinary and multi-national project teams.
15	Demonstrate an understanding and critical awareness of the techniques which aid management decision making
	By the end of the <b>Professional Practice Stage</b> of the programme successful students will be able to do the following:
16	Gain a critical understanding of overall organisation needs relevant to the application of Project Management processes and techniques in a real-world context.
17	Gain critical knowledge, research and skills at the forefront of their academic discipline related to their placement
	By the end of the <b>Masters Stage</b> of the programme successful students will be able to do the following:
18	Design and undertake independently, a major original research project on a topic which relates to the forefront of the academic discipline of Project Management and reflect extensively and objectively on method, process, and outcomes.
19	Demonstrate self-direction, originality and critical evaluation of sources in tackling and solving problems.
20	Deal with complex issues in Project Management both systematically and creatively, make informed judgements in the absence of complete data, and communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences.
21	Demonstrate an understanding and critical awareness of project management concepts and techniques, including the use of advanced tools for the management of projects.
22	Display advanced knowledge in a highly specialised area in the discipline of Project Management via an individual project or dissertation.

## 12. Programme Requirements

*There are NO optional modules on this programme.*

### Level 7:

*In order to complete this programme a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 180 credits):*

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value	PLO(s) assessed
ENGM91	Project Management and Control	30	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15
ENGM115	Understanding Organisations and Systems	15	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 11, 13
CETM10	Commercial and Contractual Issues in Project Management	15	1, 2, 6, 7, 10, 13, 14
ENGM116	Leaderships and Management of Project Risk, Quality and People	30	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15,
ENGM117	Project Delivery and International Project Management	30	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15
ENGM123	Project/Dissertation	60	18, 19, 20, 21, 22

## 13. Employability

The programme contributes to the development of the following graduate attributes. Please refer to [Integrated Curriculum Design Framework](#) when completing this section.

<b>Professional</b>	<p>Students display a professional attitude and the behaviours, skills and knowledge to make a positive contribution to society through work, research and community engagement.</p> <p>The taught modules provide experience of real-world data and case studies. This will provide students with challenges and opportunities of dealing with industrial and technological situations encountered in practice. These experiences will be of practical benefit when tackling their Project/Dissertation module (ENGM123) and where possible this module will draw on the Professional Practice undertaken.</p>
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<b>Adaptable</b>	<p>Students will be adaptable to change have resilience and are personally capable of problem solving and innovation.</p> <p>All modules combine teaching and application of innovative problem-solving skills that can be applied in the work place. The modules on this programme provide real-world case studies enabling students to develop problem solving skills that can be applied elsewhere.</p>
<b>Engaged</b>	<p>Students are united by a desire to give something back to society and to develop communities locally, regionally and globally. Students are engaged in active learning throughout the programme, which prepares them for higher levels of responsibility and leadership in the workplace, society and beyond. Students develop highly transferrable skills which can be used in collaboration with other stakeholders during the course of their study and throughout their working lives.</p>

#### 14. Additional Costs: Are there any additional costs on top of the fees?

List any additional costs the students will have to meet and whether this is optional (eg an optional field trip) or essential (eg buying a lab coat). Give an estimation of the approximate cost which may be a range. This information should be replicated in the Module Guide and will be published on the course page. Please note for Apprenticeships, there should be no additional costs to students.

No, but all students buy some study materials such as books and provide their own basic study materials	YES
Yes (optional). All students buy some study materials such as books and provide their own basic study materials. In addition, there are some additional costs for optional activities associated with the programme (see above)	
Yes (essential). All students buy some study materials such as books and provide their own basic study materials. In addition, there are some essential additional costs associated with the programme (see above)	

## 15. Version Control

Programme Specifications are checked annually and updated when changes are made to the programme.

Version Number		Date	Details of change	Author
V1	Submitted for reapproval	8 Dec 2021	Spec transferred to latest programme template	Ian Ridley
V2	Corrections	6 May 2025	Correction of total credit values	A Nulty