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A maximum of

Registering for modules

Each module runs for a 14-week study session that begins in either February or September, including a two-week revision period before the final assessment. Refer to [Appendix A](#) to see which modules run in each study session.

To register for a module, you must select it and pay for it by the deadline date. When you register for a module, you are committing to studying the module in that study session, so you should only register for modules that you are ready to study.

All students start by taking the core module, Understanding Human Rights UHM010. Students can choose to take the core module, Translating Human Rights into International Law UHM030 at the same time in the first study session.

All core modules run in both study sessions and elective modules run in one session each year. See the progression rules in [Section 7](#) which state what you must do before registering for (core module) Securing Human Rights UHM020 and the elective modules.

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If you register for a core, elective or dissertation module, you must study it when you are eligible to take it in the first study session that it runs.

Maximum and minimum number of modules you can study in a study session

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Taking assessments

See [Section 5](#) for what happens if you do not attend a written examination or do not submit a coursework item, E-tivity or dissertation.

4.7

When you register for a module, you must take the assessments for the module at the first available opportunity and in the sequence given in the Module Timetable on the Virtual Learning Environment (VLE).

4.8

You must retain a copy of all of your submissions to us in the event of any electronic difficulties in their submission to us or return from us.

4.9

E-tivities, coursework and dissertation items must be submitted through the VLE by the submission dates given in the Module Timetable on the VLE.

Deferring assessments for a module

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If after having registered for a module, you no longer wish to study it in that study session, we will allow you to defer taking the module's assessments if you notify us no later than 14 days prior to the final assessment deadline/examination date for the module. You can defer a module regardless of whether you have completed the assessment entry process or not.

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We will not allow you to defer a module if you have taken its written examination, submitted

Written examination for UHM010 or UHM030

5.5

When you register for UHM010 or UHM030 you must take the examination element of these core modules either at the end of the study session that you take the module, or at the end of the subsequent session (this will still be considered a first attempt).

5.6

If you do not take the examination in either the first or second permitted examination session, your registration for the module will be cancelled. To restart UHM010 or UHM030, you must pay a new module fee. If you restart a module, the E-tivities marks will not be carried forward. You may only restart these modules

5.19

If you are required to make a further attempt at the dissertation thesis you must submit a reworked dissertation thesis in the next session, by a date specified by us, and pay the dissertation thesis resubmission fee.

If you pass at a second attempt your mark will be capped

Plagiarism

6.1

You must not submit a significant part of the same piece of work more than once. See [General Regulations](#) 7.4 and 7.5 for further details.

If you draw on work from E-tivities or coursework that you have undertaken as part of this programme for the dissertation module, then you must have this approved by your dissertation supervisor and this must amount to no more than 3,000 words in total.

7 Progression within the programme

First modules

7.1

You must register for the core module Understanding Human Rights UHM010 in your first study session. You can opt to register for Translating Human Rights into International Law UHM030 at the same time.

Before taking Securing Human Rights UHM020 or any elective module

7.2

You must have registered for Understanding Human Rights UHM010 in a prior study session before you can register for Securing Human Rights UHM020 or any elective module.

Before taking Topics in International Human Rights Law UHM130

7.3

You must have passed Translating Human Rights in International Law UHM030 before you can register for Topics in International Human Rights Law UHM130.

Before taking the dissertation module

7.4

You must have attempted the examination element or the entire coursework element in six modules and passed at least four modules before you can register for the Dissertation UHM500. uman

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The overall mark for Dissertation UHM500 is calculated by weighting the marks achieved for the dissertation proposal and the dissertation thesis in a ratio of 15:85.

Qualification requirements

8.6

To be awarded the MA Human Rights you must achieve a final overall weighted average mark of at least 50%. Module marks of between 45–49% can be condoned in all modules, excluding UHM500, up to a maximum of 20 credits, provided that the overall weighted average is at least 50%.

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To be awarded the PGDip Human Rights, you must achieve a final overall weighted average mark of at least 50%. Module marks of between 45–49% can be condoned in all modules, up to a maximum of 20 credits, provided that the overall weighted average is at least 50%.

8.8

To be awarded the PGCert Human Rights, you must achieve a final overall weighted average mark of at least 50%. Module marks of between 45–49% can be condoned in all modules, up to a maximum of 20 credits, provided that the overall weighted average is at least 50%.

Mark scheme

8.9

Marks awarded for each element of the assessment of a module and the overall module mark will be rounded to the nearest whole number

8.10

To calculate the final grade for the qualification, the marks for the modules are weighted according to their credit values. Each core and elective module is worth 20 credits.

8.13

To be considered for the award of Distinction you should obtain a weighted average of at least 70% across all modules.

Progressing to a higher qualification

8.14

If you wish to progress from the PGCert to the PGDip or MA, or from the PGDip to the MA, you must notify us of your intent to do so prior to accepting an intermediate qualification. Should you accept a qualification and then wish to progress to a higher qualification on the programme you will need to return the qualification if we allow you to progress (subject to meeting the criteria in regulation 7.10). At the end of your registration with us, you will receive only the highest qualification for which you have met the requirements.

Exit qualifications

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The Board of Examiners has discretion to grant a PGCert o.00tn8 ()5.8 (0.001 Tc 0.002 Tw 0.557s)-73 (f)2 (i

Assessment: one three-hour written examination (70%) and three E-tivities (30%).

Elective modules

Genocide, Gross Human Rights Violations and Reconciliation UHM110

Researching Human Rights: Social Science Research Methods UHM140

This module will introduce students to the theories and methods of qualitative social sciences

Assessment: one item of coursework (70%) and three E-tivities (30%).

Dissertation UHM500

The dissertation is a key part of the MA programme, and builds independent research skills through three components. This module includes a 'conducting human rights research' taught element, the submission of a research proposal and the submission of a final dissertation. The 'conducting human rights research' component will help students to develop the skills and knowledge that will be used to construct a research proposal and to undertake a substantial piece of independent research in the human rights field for the dissertation. Once the dissertation topic is approved, the MA programme staff will endeavour to provide a specialist in the topic chosen by the student to supervise the dissertation research.

Appendix C – Assessment criteria

Assessment Criteria for coursework, dissertations, E-tivities and examinations

The following criteria will be used in determining marks for coursework, dissertations, E-tivities (excluding the participation-based E-tivity) and examinations. Final marks will be reduced if there are word-count and lateness penalties. All final marks are approved by the Board of Examiners.

Mark	Criteria
80-100 Distinction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very significant ability to plan, organise and execute independently a research project or coursework assignment. • Very significant ability to evaluate literature and theory critically and make informed judgements. • Very high levels of creativity, originality and independence of thought. • Very significant ability to evaluate critically existing methodologies and suggest new approaches to current research or professional practice. • Very significant ability to analyse data critically. • Outstanding levels of accuracy, technical competence, organisation, expression.

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