

Programme Specification

1	Awarding body	University of London				
2	Teaching Institution	Birkbeck College				
3	Programme Title(s)	MPhil Management				
4	Programme Code(s)	RMPMNGNT				
5	UCAS code	N/A				
6	Home Department	Management				
7	Exit Award(s)	MRes Business Research Postgraduate Diploma Business Research Postgraduate Certificate Business Research				
8	Duration of Study (number of years)	3 years part-time or 2 years full-time (minimum periods for MPhil)				
9	Mode of Study	FT	X	PT	X	DL
10	Level of Award (FHEQ)	7				
11	Other teaching depts or institution	N/A				
12	Professional, Statutory Regulatory Body(PSRB) details	N/A				
13	QAA Benchmark Group	N/A				

14	Programme Rationale & Aims
	<p>The MPhil/PhD in Management aims to train students to conduct research of a high academic standard and to make an original contribution to the subject through their thesis. It involves taught coursework and research training, and will not only prepare students to undertake research for their own dissertation, but will also equip them to be able to evaluate research results and reports more widely.</p>

15	Entry Criteria
	<p>A good degree or Master's qualification in a relevant subject area or equivalent work experience. Applicants must also provide 2 references and a research proposal.</p> <p>If English is not the applicant's first language or they have not previously studied in English, our usual requirement is the equivalent of an International English Language Testing System (IELTS Academic Test) score of 7.0, with not less than 6.5 in each of the sub-tests.</p>

16	Learning Outcomes
	<p>Demonstrated expertise in particular set of social science research methods, and a in a particular subject area related to business or management; specifics depend on the individual project.</p>

17	Learning, teaching and assessment methods
	Some taught modules; primarily, independent research supervised by members of academic staff. Final assessment is by independent examiners.

18	Programme Description
	<p>In the first year of the MPhil/PhD program (first two years, if part-time), students take research training modules, review the academic literature in their field, and prepare a detailed plan for their research. Then, in the second and third years (full time) or third-fifth years (part time), they complete a substantial independent research project, and write their PhD thesis. The subject matter might be anything falling within the research competencies of the Department of Management.</p> <p>In the first year (both full-time and part-time) students are required to take four modules for credit. Ordinarily they are the following, although permission to substitute alternate research training modules may be granted:</p> <p>BUMN112H7 Research Philosophy MOMN040H7 Organization Theory BUMN030H7 Statistical Methods for Business Research MOMN020H7 Qualitative Research Methods</p> <p>In the first year (FT) or second year (PT), students write a Research Prospectus (BUMN098D7), which includes a preliminary literature review and a plan for their thesis research.</p> <p>Upon satisfactory completion of the modules and Research Prospectus, their primary responsibility is research and writing for their PhD thesis.</p>

19	Programme Structure				
	Students may: be awarded exemptions against any of these modules; be allowed to substitute other modules or have their programme altered to support their study/research needs as agreed by the programme director. See also note in section 20.				
	Full Time programme				
	Year 1				
	Level	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Status*
	7	MOMN040H7	Organization Theory	15	Core
	7	MOMN020H7	Qualitative Research Methods	15	Core
	7	BUMN098D7	Research Prospectus	60	Core
	7	BUMN112H7	Research Philosophy	15	Core
	7	BUMN030H7	Statistical Methods for Business Research	15	Core
	Then, to complete the programme:				
	N/A	N/A	PhD Thesis	N/A	Core

Part Time programme				
Year 1				
Level	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Status*
7	MOMN040H7	Organization Theory	15	Core
7	MOMN020H7	Qualitative Research Methods	15	Core
7	BUMN112H7	Research Philosophy	15	Core
7	BUMN030H7	Statistical Methods for Business Research	15	Core
Year 2				
Level	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Status*
7	BUMN098D7	Research Prospectus	60	Core
Then, to complete the programme:				
N/A	N/A	PhD Thesis	N/A	Core

Status*

CORE – Module must be taken and passed by student; *COMPULSORY* – Module must be taken, mark can be reviewed at sub-exam board; *OPTIONAL* – Student can choose to take this module

20	Additional Programme Information
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exemptions Students may be awarded exemptions against any of the modules on the programme structure, be allowed to substitute other modules or have their programme altered to support their study/research needs as agreed by the programme director. • Exit Awards To exit this programme with an MRes Business Research degree requires 180 level 7 credits, and students will need to take BUMN099D7 MRes Dissertation (Short) in place of the PhD thesis to obtain this award. To exit with a PG Dip Business Research or PG Cert Business Research requires achievement of 120 and 60 credits respectively in line with CAS regulations

21	Programme Director	Dr Frederick Guy
22	Start Date (<i>term/year</i>)	Pre 2003/4
23	Date approved by TQEC	Pre 2003/4
24	Date approved by Academic Board	Pre 2003/4
25	Date(s) updated/amended	Autumn 2017