Programme Specification

MSc Business Technology Consulting (full-time)   PFTZBUSTCOHM

MSc Business Technology Consulting (part-time)   PPTZBUSTCOHM

For students entering in 2021/22

This document sets out key information about your Programme and forms part of your Terms and Conditions with the University of Reading.

Awarding Institution	University of Reading
Teaching Institution	University of Reading
Length of Programme	MSc Business Technology Consulting (full-time) - 12 months MSc Business Technology Consulting (part-time) - 36 months
Accreditation	AACSB, EQUIS
Programme Start Dates	September

Programme information and content

This Master's programme provides theoretical knowledge and practical methodologies and techniques via case studies and tutorials that enable students to specify and design technology solutions for business managers and organisations.

You will learn about informatics, business systems, processes and architecture necessary to understand the digital business environment. Students develop analysis, problem solving, teamwork and leadership skills necessary for creating effective business solutions. Students also learn the consulting principles and behaviours necessary for consulting.

Module information

The programme comprises of 180 credits, allocated across a range of compulsory and optional modules. Compulsory modules are listed.

Compulsory modules

Module	Name	Credits	Level
INMR66	Business Domain and Requirements Analysis	20	M
INMR83	Consulting Project	40	M
INMR85	Business Architecture	20	M
INMR86	Business Technology Consulting	20	M
INMR91	Business Informatics	20	M
INMR94	Digital Leadership	20	M

In addition, students will select 40 credits of option modules from programme specific options. A list of available options will be made available by the Programme Director.

Part-time or flexible modular arrangements

The programme can be taken part-time over three years. INMR83 Consulting Project must be taken in the third year. The other 140 credits can be divided between the three years at the student's discretion, in discussion with the Programme Director.

The programme may not be completed over more than three years.

Additional costs of the programme

There are no textbooks which you must buy and students are encouraged to discuss the purchase of textbooks or other resources with the module convenor before purchasing.

Some books may be available second-hand, which will reduce costs. A range of resources to support your curriculum, including textbooks, electronic resources and computer facilities, are available through the Central Library and the Henley Business School Library.

Printing and photocopying facilities are available on campus at a cost per A4 page of £0.05 (black and white) and £0.30 (colour). Essential costs in this area will be low as most coursework is submitted electronically. Costs are indicative and may vary according to optional modules chosen and are subject to inflation and other price fluctuations.

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Optional modules

The optional modules available can vary from year to year to ensure we make available modules to reflect and support progress and excellence in the subject.

An indicative list of the range of optional modules for your Programme is set out in the Further Programme Information. Details of any additional costs associated with the optional modules, will be made available to you prior to the beginning of the programme. Entry to optional modules will be at the discretion of the University and subject to availability. Although the University tries to ensure you are able to take the optional modules in which you have expressed interest this cannot be guaranteed.

Placement opportunities

Study abroad opportunities

Teaching and learning delivery

Total study hours for your programme will be 1800 hours. The contact hours for your programme will depend upon your module combination; an average for a typical set of modules on this programme is 263 hours. In addition to your scheduled contact hours, you will be expected to undertake guided independent study. Information about module contact

hours and the amount of independent study which a student is normally expected to undertake for a module is indicated in the relevant module description.

Accreditation details

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Assessment

The programme will be assessed through a combination of Exams, project and individual and group assignments.
Further information is contained in the individual module descriptions.

Progression

Classification

The University's taught postgraduate marks classification is as follows:

Mark Interpretation

70 - 100% Distinction

60 - 69% Merit

50 - 59% Good standard (Pass)

Failing categories:

40 - 49% Work below threshold standard

0 - 39% Unsatisfactory Work

For Masters Degree

To qualify for **Distinction**, students must

  i.   gain an overall average of 70 or more over 180 credits; and
  ii.   a mark of 60 or more for the dissertation; and
  iii. the total credit value of all modules marked below 50 must not exceed 55 credits; and

iv.   students must not have any mark below 40.

To qualify for **Merit**, students must

i.   gain an overall average of 60 or more over 180 credits; and
ii.   a mark of 50 or more for the dissertation; and
iii.   the total credit value of all modules marked below 50 must not exceed 55 credits; and
iv.   students must not have any mark below 40.

To qualify for **Passed**, students must

i.   gain an overall average of 50 or more over 180 credits; and
ii.   a mark of 50 or more for the dissertation; and
iii.   the total credit value of all modules marked below 50 must not exceed 55 credits; and
iv.   the total credit value of all modules marked below 40 must not exceed 30 credits.

For PG Diploma

To qualify for **Distinction**, students must

i.   gain an overall average of 70 or more over 120 credits; and
ii.   In addition, the total credit value of all modules marked below 50 must not exceed 55 credits; and
iii.   students must not have any mark below 40.

To qualify for **Merit**, students must

i.   gain an overall average of 60 or more over 120 credits; and
ii.   the total credit value of all modules marked below 50 must not exceed 55 credits; and
iii.   students must not have any mark below 40.

To qualify for **Passed**, students must

i.   gain an overall average of 50 or more over 120 credits; and

ii. the total credit value of all modules marked below 50 must not exceed 55 credits; and

iii.   the total credit value of all modules marked below 40 must not exceed 30 credits.

For PG Certificate

To qualify for a **Postgraduate Certificate**, students must

i. gain an overall average of 50 or more over 60 credits; and

ii. the total credit value of all modules marked below 40 must not exceed 10 credits.

For further information about your Programme please refer to the Programme Handbook and the relevant module descriptions, which are available at http://www.reading.ac.uk/module/. The Programme Handbook and the relevant module descriptions do not form part of your Terms and Conditions with the University of Reading.

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