

MSC PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE (PART-TIME)

COURSE INFORMATION	Level of study:	Postgraduate
	Fee:	£7,650 (UK/EU)
	Entry requirements:	Minimum 2:2 (second class) honours degree, or equivalent academic or professional qualification.
	CPD requirements:	Candidates must also be able to demonstrate engagement in recognised CPD activity equating to 72 hours in any one year.
	Mode of study:	Blended Learning (weekend classroom sessions and remote attendance options)
	Duration:	2 years
	Assessment methods:	Coursework
	Student finance:	Eligible for the £10,280 Postgraduate Loan
	Payment plan:	Interest-free instalment plan available
	Starts:	January, May, September

WHAT IS THE MSC PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE?

The MSc Professional Practice is a unique offering taught over 9 weekend sessions spread over 2 years, coupled with dedicated guidance tutoring throughout the programme to ensure maximum personalisation, coaching and academic support.

Designed for ambitious but busy working professionals looking to develop their leadership, management and consultancy skills, this part-time Masters allows you to work towards your MSc alongside your professional commitments. Unlike many traditional postgraduate programmes, assessments are based on live projects allowing you to tailor your research and analytical reports to improve practice within your team or wider department.

The programme also has two exit awards available in Computing and IT or Project Management, allowing for further specialisation and application of your knowledge for future job development.

The blended learning combines weekend classroom sessions with individual guidance tutoring via email, telephone or face-to-face.

WHY STUDY AN MSC IN PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE?

The MSc Professional Practice is designed to enable you to demonstrate your workplace and professional learning in order to identify opportunities for personal and organisational improvement. The programme utilises your existing work experience and continued professional development (CPD) training already undertaken, focusing on applying and facilitating knowledge learnt, using your workplace as the context for research and consultancy reports.

- Develops leadership, consultancy and strategic management capabilities
- Identifies opportunities and tailors learning outcomes for individual and organisational improvement
- Assessments based on the workplace highly applicable learning outcomes
- Facilitates the update and utilisation of professional knowledge, skills and capabilities
- Enhances potential for future development within Computing and IT or Project Management
- Undergraduate degree not mandatory for entry

A typical student profile entering programme:

- May have completed a number of different training courses, either certified or in-house training
- Has not studied at undergraduate or graduate level previously
- Would like a highly applied programme based around applying knowledge, rather than simply learning theory
- Aspire to work in senior management or a strategic role, or own their own business
- Would like a personal guidance tutor throughout their programme
- Has little spare time to devote to further study
- Would like a personalised programme tailored to their desired learning outcomes

Module 1: Academic Recognition of CPD

Aim: To understand; evidence and reflect on how recently completed CPD/training and experience creates value/ROI

Learn how to:

- Design; create and present a CPD log
- Identify professional development needs
- Develop skills to negotiate, organise; manage to evaluate value of CPD
- Develop report writing and research methods

Assignment: Reflection on personal and professional development, combining academic learning with professional learning.

**ONE DAY TEACHING
+ 1:1 COACHING**

Module 2: Consultancy Project

Aim: To identify and scope a relevant business project.

Learn how to:

- Develop academic skills of literature review; conducting research and analysis
- Reflect on the learning process
- Evaluate a suitable business problem

Assignment: Applying academic skills learnt in module 2 into a work-based project.

**TWO DAY TEACHING
+ 1:1 COACHING**

Module 3: Developing Strategy

Aim: To appreciate the need for thinking and planning for the future to strategise.

Learn how to:

- Understand role of strategy and planning
- Environmental analysis
- Apply to professional development

Assignment: Critical view of strategic models and their application to professional development and how they apply to your company.

**TWO DAY TEACHING
+ 1:1 COACHING**

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- Understanding of own management and technical skills, where personal strengths and weaknesses lie
- Ability to problem solve, articulate and action solutions
- Scope, design and solve business problems to deliver ROI
- Develop academic research techniques to support recommendations
- Build consultancy skills
- Ability to understand business and personal value and impact
- Develop leadership and management skills
- Ability to strategise
- Achieve an MSc postgraduate degree from a world renowned university

PERSONAL COACHING – to ensure the programme is individualised to your personal and professional development, you will be assigned a Guidance Tutor who will provide 1:1 guidance via email, telephone or face-to-face support outside of teaching weekend sessions throughout your programme.

Module 5: Project/Management Investigation

Aim: To complete an individually negotiated work-related project designed to lead recommendations for workplace improvement

Learn how to:

- Critically review a business issue and range of solutions
- Implement of an appropriate change to develop management knowledge; skills and personal effectiveness with a work environment.
- Specialise in Computing and IT or Project Management

Final Project: 11,000 word workplace improvement report

**ONE DAY TEACHING
+ 1:1 COACHING**

Module 4: Personal Impact

Aim: Development of knowledge and skills in relation to leadership and management.

Learn how to:

- Understanding self
- Leadership and emotional intelligence
- Managing people through change

Assignment: Research based report covering self-analysis and personal development.

**TWO DAY TEACHING
+ 1:1 COACHING**

FEES AND FINANCE

The total fee for the MSc Professional Practice is £7,650 which includes tuition, course materials and assessments. Students have a number of payment options available including:

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Interest-free instalment plan



Postgraduate Loan



Full or part employer sponsorship

Instalment plans

We offer an interest-free monthly instalment plan available to all self-funded (non-postgraduate loan) students after payment of a deposit.

Step 1: Pay a £2,450 deposit (a £450 booking fee and a £2,000 top up before enrolment)

Step 2: Pay 24 x monthly direct debits of £216.67 throughout the course

Government Loan for Masters Study

For the Academic Year 2017/18, the Government will be providing a Postgraduate Loan up to the value of

£10,280

for UK and EU students. Check our website for eligibility requirements.

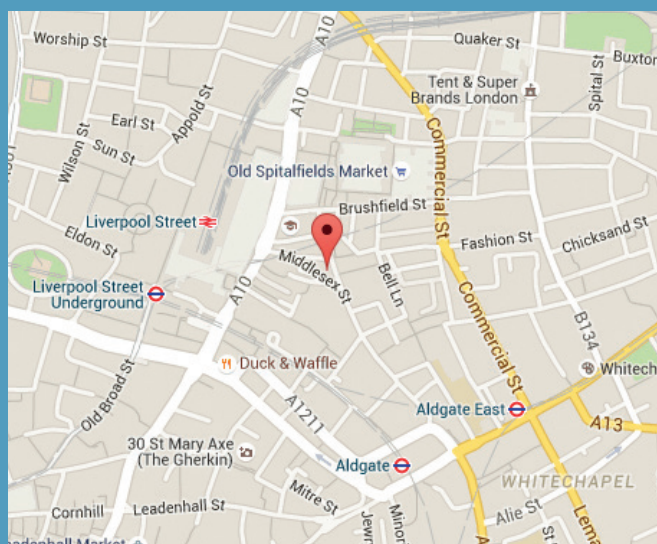
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of our part-time London Campus students were sponsored in part or full by their employer in 2016/17

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You can find out the latest dates, deadlines and apply online via our website northumbria.ac.uk/london

Our dedicated Learning Advisors are available to guide and support you through the application process, as well as answer any eligibility or financing questions. Contact our team today for more information.



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