Study with us

About your course

Courses covered

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<th>Code</th>
<th>Title</th>
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<td>CMCSITBSC</td>
<td>Information Technology (Top-up)</td>
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You can find full details of your course in the *Programme Specification*.

Important points

All optional modules are offered subject to timetable availability and other operational constraints. The programme specification does not commit the School to make all optional modules available to all students choosing to take a module as an option. In practice, it is unlikely that all optional modules can be made available in any one year. The programme will endeavour to offer students a choice. The list of optional modules may change, subject to formal approval.

From time to time the School may offer short courses in appropriate and relevant subject areas, which normally be subject to recruiting a minimum of 20 students for the course.

Academic Year

*Academic Year 2019 – 2020*

The University’s academic year is made up of 3 Semesters. For most undergraduate/postgraduate students the academic year is split into two Semesters (A & B). Each of these is made up of teaching weeks followed by exams (the re-sit period falls within Semester C)

- Semester A runs from Monday 23 September 2019 to Friday 17 January 2020
- Semester B runs from Monday 20 January 2020 to Friday 22 May 2020
- Semester C runs from Monday 25 May 2020 – Friday 18 September 2020

Expected workload

In the UK, a full time student is expected to spend 1200 hours on their studies each year. Please find below an estimate of how your time will be spent on this course during each year of study.

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<th>Lectures, seminars, tutorials</th>
<th>Independent study</th>
<th>Placement</th>
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<td>Final Year</td>
<td>15%</td>
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Method of assessment

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<th>Written Exam</th>
<th>Coursework</th>
<th>Practical</th>
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<td>Final Year</td>
<td>21 %</td>
<td>74 %</td>
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The term “coursework” includes written assignments, short projects, laboratory work and in-class tests.

Additional expenses

Undergraduate study requires extensive reading and access to reference works. Recommended texts are available in the Learning Resources Centre either as ebooks or printed material. Please note that availability of printed material is limited so students may wish or be required to purchase their own copies. The average cost of a recommended text is approximately £50 - £100. We currently estimate that the cost of expenditure on mandatory textbooks is between £200 and £400 per year, dependent on the pattern of modules students choose to study.

You may choose to purchase a windows-based laptop (specification can be discussed with your Programme Leader or Year Tutor) at the beginning of the year. The approximate cost of this is £300 - £800.

As part of your project you may choose to purchase hardware or software.

During your time with us there may be an opportunity to participate in 1 or 2 field trips. Depending on the trips available, the approximate cost for each trip is between £15 to £30.

During your studies you may have the option to take short courses. The cost of a short course is approximately £300 - £350.