

Study with us

About your course

Courses covered

Code	Title	UCAS Code
PMMPHY	MPhys Physics	F304
PMMPHYAP	MPhys Astrophysics	F511
PMMPHYSS	MPhys Physics with Space Science	F305
PMMPHYAPSS	MPhys Astrophysics with Space Science	F512

You can find full details of your course in the *Programme Specification*.

Important points

- This course is accredited by the Institute of Physics and upon graduation you will be eligible to join the Institute as a graduate member.
- An optional placement year or study abroad year or combination of the two may be available after Year 2 for students who achieve a 2:1 grade average in Year 2.
- Students may be required to undertake a Disclosure and Barring Service check for some modules.
- Transport to scheduled practicals at our off-site observatory is normally provided free of charge by the School.

Academic Year

Academic Year 2023 – 2024

The University's academic year is made up of 3 Semesters (A, B and C). Semester A and B are made up of teaching weeks followed by exams, where applicable (the re-sit period falls within Semester C). Semester C is normally used for final dissertations and projects.

- *Semester A runs from Monday 25 September 2023 to Friday 19 January 2024*
- *Semester B runs from Monday 22 January 2024 to Friday 10 May 2024*
- *Semester C runs from Monday 13 May 2024 to Friday 6 September 2024*

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.

	Lectures, seminars, tutorials	Independent study	Placement
Year 1	28%	72%	0%
Year 2	29%	71%	0%
Year 3	22%	78%	0%
Final Year	18%	82%	0%

Method of assessment

	Written Exam	Coursework	Practical
Year 1	33%	67%	0%
Year 2	16%	84%	0%
Year 3	33%	67%	0%
Final Year	30%	70%	0%

Additional expenses

Description	Year	Mandatory/ Optional	Estimated cost
Placement year/ Study Abroad/ Combination of Study Abroad and Placement	3	Optional	The University does not charge tuition fees during your placement year or study abroad, but you may incur additional costs i.e. travel and accommodation. The exact value of these costs will depend on where your placement is located.
Texts to support curriculum	All years	Optional	Undergraduate study requires extensive reading and access to reference works. Recommended texts are available in the Learning Resource Centre either as

			<p>ebooks or printed material.</p> <p>Please note that availability of printed material may be limited so students may wish to purchase their own copies. The average price of a recommended text is estimated at £50, although you may be able to buy second-hand copies.</p>
Travel costs when on teaching placement	2	Mandatory for 5PAM2017 "Professional Teaching Skills"	Funding support is normally available when the distance travelled exceeds a student's normal travel to the University campus.
Occupational Health Clearance	2	Mandatory for 5PAM2017 "Professional Teaching Skills"	Confirmation from a GP may well incur a cost. This will vary depending on your GP.
No additional expenses have been specified for this course.			