

Study with us

About your course

Courses covered

Code	Title	UCAS Code
CTMC/ CTDMC/ CTJCW/ CTCWDM/ CTJDM	Media Programmes	P300/ P700/ P900/ P902/ P903

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

Important points

As a student on the Media Programme you may study Media as a single honours subject. Alternatively, you could choose to study the combined degrees of Media and Journalism, Media and Creative Writing, Journalism and Creative Writing for which you take equal numbers of modules in your two subjects in all years. Another degree path is Mass Communications. If you take this option in your first and second year you will study modules from media cultures and three additional subjects from a choice of either journalism, creative writing, new media publishing, film, or English language. In your final year you can continue with all four subjects you studied from year one or have the option to reduce your subjects.

Single Honours Media Students will study Media Cultures, New Media Publishing, Journalism and Film in their first year progressing to taking half their degree in New Media Publishing by the second year.

Attendance Requirement

You are expected to attend 100% of all timetabled teaching sessions. You will benefit from this because students who attend tend to get better marks and degrees. Engaging with other students is also part of the learning experience.

If you cannot attend a class, you should contact the class tutor (whose details will be on the module Canvas site); you should also consult the module site for any handouts or classroom materials stored there.

Placement Year/Year Abroad

You can choose to take a Year Abroad, Placement Year or Combined Placement Year with Study Abroad before you start your final year, subject to meeting academic requirements and confirmation of a suitable institution or employer. Please see the Programme Specifications for more details.

The University will not charge you tuition fees during your Placement Year, but you may incur additional costs, including your travel and accommodation, depending on where your placement is located.

There may be a tuition fee charge for a Year Abroad.

Terms and Conditions

The Media Programme is designed to offer maximum flexibility, but timetabling constraints may mean that some combinations of modules may be unavailable. Where a clash of modules occurs, a student will be asked to choose a different module. Where a module, i.e., a self-contained taught

unit, is under-subscribed, the University reserves the right not to run that module and to place students on their “reserve” choice.

Some modules may have minimum entry requirements, such as achieving a particular grade or taking enough modules in the subject to qualify for a final year dissertation.

Academic Year

Academic Year 2024 – 2025

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 23 September 2024 to Friday 17 January 2025*
- *Semester B runs from Monday 20 January 2025 to Friday 9 May 2025*
- *Semester C runs from Monday 12 May 2025 to Friday 5 September 2025*

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	19%	81%	0%
Year 2	21%	79%	0%
Placement/ Study Abroad Year	0%	0%	100%
Final Year	19%	81%	0%

Method of assessment

	Test	Written Exam	Coursework	Practical*
Year 1	6%	%	86%	8%
Year 2	%	%	97%	3%
Year 3	%	%	96%	4%

* in this context this means “live” assessments as opposed to written/recorded ones

Additional expenses

Description	Year	Mandatory/ Optional	Estimated cost
Undergraduate study requires extensive reading and access to reference works. Recommended texts are available in the Learning Resources Centre., however availability may be limited so students may wish to purchase their own copies. Many books are also available for reading online in e-book formats. The average price of a recommended text is approximately £40, although you may be able to buy second-hand copies.	All	Optional	£20-£50 per text
The University does not charge tuition fees for their placement year but may incur additional costs i.e. travel and accommodation.	3	Optional	£0
There may be a tuition fee charge for a study abroad year. Further details are available in the attached ‘Fees and Finance’ policy.	3	Optional	£0
Purchase of digital equipment and software e.g. laptop, Creative Suite software. The required software is available on University facilities, but some students choose to purchase their own for	All	Optional	Compulsory £0. Optional: at the discretion of the student.

added flexibility. The University has a limited number of laptop loans for short term use. Modules requiring software are taught in classrooms equipped with the software required.			
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