

1. Programme Title(s):

MSc Security and Risk Management
Pg Diploma Security and Risk Management
Pg Certificate Security and Risk Management

2. Awarding body or institution:

University of Leicester

3. a) Mode of study

Part time, distance learning

b) Type of study

Distance Learning

4. Registration periods:

The normal period of registration for the MSc and Pg Diploma is two years

The maximum period of registration for the MSc and Pg Diploma is four years

The normal period of registration for the Pg Certificate is one year

The maximum period of registration for the Pg Certificate is two years

5. Typical entry requirements:

Candidates should normally have either a first or a second class honours degree from a British university or its equivalent. Special consideration will be given to those who have no first degree but an acceptable professional qualification coupled with practical experience. An applicant who has at least five years' practical experience and borderline qualifications may be considered or asked to complete the Department's entry test.

Where English is not the first language of the candidate, the successful applicant must have either IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL 250 (computer) or 600 (paper).

6. Accreditation of Prior Learning:

No automatic accreditation. Applications are reviewed on a case by case basis in accordance with university policy should module exemption be requested.

7. Programme aims:

The programme aims to provide managers in the public and private sectors, responsible for crime prevention and security, with a thorough knowledge and understanding of security and crime risk analysis and management, and to assist them in developing their skills and professional competence.

8. Reference points used to inform the programme specification:

- QAA Framework for Higher Education Qualifications
- University of Leicester Learning and Teaching Strategy
<http://www2.le.ac.uk/offices/sas2/quality/learnteach>
- University Employability Strategy
- External Examiners' Reports
- Periodic Developmental Review Report (November 2011)

9. Programme Outcomes:

| Intended Learning Outcomes | Teaching and Learning Methods | How Demonstrated? |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| (a) Subject and Professional skills | | |
| Knowledge | | |
| Advanced knowledge of organisational risks and risk management strategies, with a particular emphasis on the threat of workplace crime. | Independent research & written course modules, readings and text books. | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| Concepts | | |
| Enhanced grasp of principles and concepts of crime prevention, criminological theory, risk management and management theory and their application to the specific context of security and risk management. | Independent research & written course modules, readings and text books. | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| Techniques | | |
| Mastery of research methods, incl. information management. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| Critical analysis | | |
| Ability to explain and analyse concepts and techniques with independence, rigour and reflexivity. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignment & dissertation |
| Presentation | | |
| Ability to organise research material in a manner appropriate to the medium that is to be assessed; to write assignments to a high standard, and to collate and present research findings in the dissertation. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| Appraisal of evidence | | |
| Ability to analyse and assess a variety of complex management and organisational issues in the context of security and risk management. Ability to mount and sustain an independent level of inquiry at an advanced level. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| (b) Transferable skills | | |
| Research skills | | |
| Ability to manage self-directed learning timetable and meet deadlines – especially developed in the dissertation process. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| Communication skills | | |
| Ability to communicate effectively in context of tutorials and study schools; ability to write cogently and clearly. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| Data presentation | | |
| Ability to present research clearly and effectively. | Research Methods module and independent research | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |

| Intended Learning Outcomes | Teaching and Learning Methods | How Demonstrated? |
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| Information technology | | |
| Use of IT to support studies effectively including competence in aspects of VLEs, use of IT in word processing, use of the internet and specialist packages in data analysis | Tutorials, distance learning materials, independent research | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| Problem solving | | |
| Ability to address and analyse theoretical, methodological and empirical problems posed by literature and practice relating to security and risk management | Distance learning materials, discussion boards, tutorials, work-based application | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| Working relationships | | |
| Knowing how, when and where to draw on the knowledge and expertise of University staff and students. Ability to access and work with outside agencies where appropriate (dissertation research) | Liaising with tutors, discussion boards, independent research, dissertation supervision. | Not formally assessed except for dissertation outcome. |
| Managing learning | | |
| Ability to manage self-directed learning timetable and meet deadlines – especially developed in the dissertation process. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignment & dissertation. |
| Career management | | |
| Most students will have careers in similar/same field and look to the MSc as a way of enhancing and developing skills to lead them to a higher level of management. | Personal Development Planning (PDP). Independent research for dissertation where appropriate | Not formally assessed except for dissertation outcome. |

Pg Diploma:

| Intended Learning Outcomes | Teaching and Learning Methods | How Demonstrated? |
|--|--|-----------------------|
| <i>(a) Subject and Professional skills</i> | | |
| Knowledge | | |
| Advanced knowledge of organisational risks and risk management strategies, with a particular emphasis on the threat of workplace crime. | Independent research & written course modules, readings and text books. | Assessed assignments. |
| Concepts | | |
| Enhanced grasp of principles and concepts of crime prevention, criminological theory, risk management and management theory and their application to the specific context of security and risk management. | Independent research & written course modules, readings and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| Techniques | | |
| Mastery of research methods, incl. information management. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |

| Intended Learning Outcomes | Teaching and Learning Methods | How Demonstrated? |
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| Critical analysis | | |
| Ability to explain and analyse concepts and techniques with independence, rigour and reflexivity. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| Presentation | | |
| Ability to organise research material in a manner appropriate to the medium that is to be assessed; to write assignments to a high standard. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| Appraisal of evidence | | |
| Ability to analyse and assess a variety of complex management and organisational issues in the context of security and risk management. Ability to mount and sustain an independent level of inquiry at an advanced level. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| <i>(b) Transferable skills</i> | | |
| Research skills | | |
| Ability to manage self-directed learning timetable and meet deadlines. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| Communication skills | | |
| Ability to communicate effectively in context of tutorials and study schools; ability to write cogently and clearly. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books | Assessed assignments |
| Data presentation | | |
| Ability to present research clearly and effectively. | Research Methods module | Assessed assignment. |
| Information technology | | |
| Use of IT to support studies effectively including competence in aspects of VLEs, use of IT in word processing, use of the internet. | Tutorials, distance learning materials, independent research | Assessed assignments |
| Problem solving | | |
| Ability to address and analyse theoretical, methodological and empirical problems posed by literature and practice relating to security and risk management | Distance learning materials, discussion boards, tutorials, work-based application | Assessed assignments |
| Working relationships | | |
| Knowing how, when and where to draw on the knowledge and expertise of University staff and students. | Liaising with tutors, discussion boards, independent research. | Not formally assessed |
| Managing learning | | |
| Ability to manage self-directed learning timetable and meet deadlines. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |

| Intended Learning Outcomes | Teaching and Learning Methods | How Demonstrated? |
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| Career management | | |
| Most students will have careers in similar/same field and look to the course as a way of enhancing and developing skills to lead them to a higher level of management. | Personal Development Planning (PDP). | Not formally assessed. |

Pg Certificate:

| Intended Learning Outcomes | Teaching and Learning Methods | How Demonstrated? |
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| (a) Subject and Professional skills | | |
| Knowledge | | |
| Advanced knowledge of organisational risks and risk management strategies, with a particular emphasis on the threat of workplace crime. | Independent research & written course modules, readings and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| Concepts | | |
| Enhanced grasp of principles and concepts of crime prevention, criminological theory, risk management and management theory and their application to the specific context of security and risk management. | Independent research & written course modules, readings and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| Techniques | | |
| Mastery of research methods, incl. information management. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| Critical analysis | | |
| Ability to explain and analyse concepts and techniques with independence, rigour and reflexivity. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| Presentation | | |
| Ability to organise research material in a manner appropriate to the medium that is to be assessed; to write assignments to a high standard. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignment |
| Appraisal of evidence | | |
| Ability to analyse and assess a variety of complex management and organisational issues in the context of security and risk management. Ability to mount and sustain an independent level of inquiry at an advanced level. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| (b) Transferable skills | | |
| Research skills | | |
| Ability to manage self-directed learning timetable and meet deadlines. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |

| Intended Learning Outcomes | Teaching and Learning Methods | How Demonstrated? |
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| Communication skills | | |
| Ability to communicate effectively in context of tutorials and study schools; ability to write cogently and clearly. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books | Assessed assignments |
| Information technology | | |
| Use of IT to support studies effectively including competence in aspects of VLEs, use of IT in word processing, use of the internet. | Tutorials, distance learning materials, independent research | Assessed assignments |
| Problem solving | | |
| Ability to address and analyse theoretical, methodological and empirical problems posed by literature and practice relating to security and risk management | Distance learning materials, discussion boards, tutorials, work-based application | Assessed assignments |
| Working relationships | | |
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| Managing learning | | |
| Ability to manage self-directed learning timetable and meet deadlines. | Independent research & written course modules, readings, and text books. | Assessed assignments |
| Career management | | |
| Most students will have careers in similar/same field and look to the course as a way of enhancing and developing skills to lead them to a higher level of management. | Personal Development Planning (PDP). Independent research for dissertation where appropriate | Not formally assessed |

10. Special features:

Makes significant use of innovative e-learning technologies for learning and teaching purposes. Independent learning, supervised dissertation research (for the MSc).

11. Indications of programme quality:

Annual Programme Review
External Examiner's reports
Academic Audit

12. Scheme of Assessment

As defined in [Senate Regulation 6](#): Regulations governing taught postgraduate programmes of study applies.

13. Progression points

As defined in [Senate Regulation 6](#): Regulations governing taught postgraduate programmes of study.

In cases where a student has failed to meet a requirement to progress he or she will be required to withdraw from the course and a recommendation will be made to the Board of Examiners for an intermediate award where appropriate.

14. Rules relating to re-sits or re-submissions:

As defined in [Senate Regulation 6](#): Regulations governing taught postgraduate programmes of study.

15. Additional information [e.g. timetable for admissions]

N/A

16. External Examiners

The details of the External Examiner(s) for this programme and the most recent External Examiners' reports can be found [here](#)

Appendix 1: Programme structure (programme regulations)

M.Sc./Postgraduate Diploma/Postgraduate Certificate in Security and Risk Management

Curriculum: All candidates will take the following core modules:

| Module Code | Module Title | Core/Option | Credit Rating |
|-------------|--|-------------|---------------|
| CR7559 | Crime and Crime Prevention | C | 20 |
| CR7561 | Managing Risk and Security | C | 20 |
| CR7562 | Law, Procedures and Security Management | C | 20 |
| CR7563 | Leadership and Management | C | 20 |
| CR7564 | Managing Security in the Workplace | C | 20 |
| CR7565 | Research Methods in Security and Risk Management | C | 20 |
| CR7521 | Dissertation | C* | 60 |

* Compulsory for candidates for the degree of Master of Science.

Postgraduate Certificate in Security and Risk Management

Curriculum: All candidates will take three of the following option modules:

| Module Code | Module Title | Core/Option | Credit Rating |
|-------------|--|-------------|---------------|
| CR7559 | Crime and Crime Prevention | O | 20 |
| CR7561 | Managing Risk and Security | O | 20 |
| CR7562 | Law, Procedures and Security Management | O | 20 |
| CR7563 | Leadership and Management | O | 20 |
| CR7564 | Managing Security in the Workplace | O | 20 |
| CR7565 | Research Methods in Security and Risk Management | O | 20 |

Appendix 2: Module Specifications

See module specification database <http://www.le.ac.uk/sas/courses/documentation>