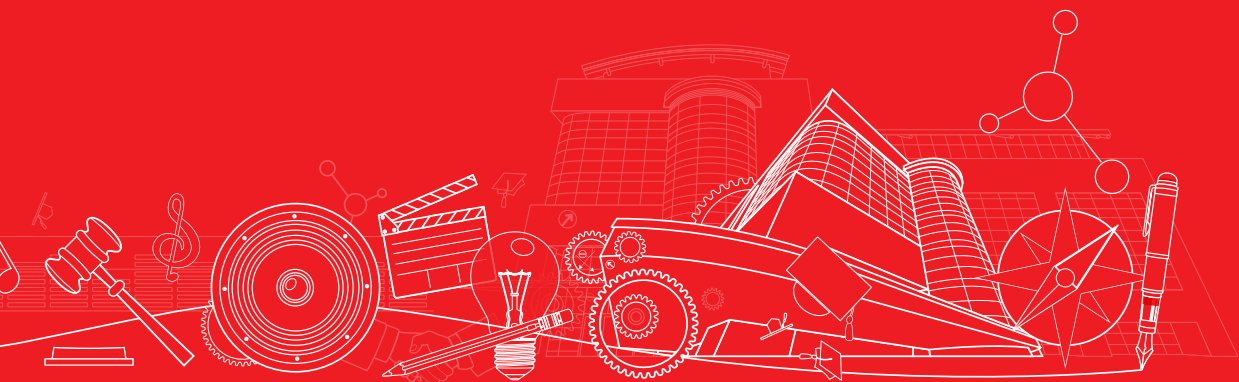


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Welcome

I am delighted to welcome you to the Southampton Solent University postgraduate prospectus and I hope you enjoy finding out more about the University.

At Southampton Solent University we pride ourselves on putting our students at the heart of everything we do, providing a real-world, applied learning environment and making learning fun as well as relevant. We have first-class facilities, cutting-edge technology and skilled staff who are actively engaged with the latest research and innovation in their field.

From fully equipped television studios to professional sport science laboratories, our campus boasts up-to-date resources for study and personal development. Our wide range of postgraduate and professional courses offers something for every interest and talent, and I feel sure you will find something to whet your appetite.

With innovative teaching underpinned by the latest research, and a focus on practical application of cutting-edge theory, our courses are designed to meet the high professional standards that modern employers expect. Above all, our focus is on ensuring that all Southampton Solent University alumni have a qualification that equips them to excel in their chosen field.

At Southampton Solent, you will be right at the heart of a great city in which to live and study. Southampton offers easy access to countryside, watersports, historic architecture, Premier League football and shopping, while London is just over an hour away by train.

We are also proud of the diversity of our student community, which provides great opportunities for developing friendships and professional contacts across more than 100 different nationalities.

I feel sure you will find something in this prospectus to suit your interests and career goals. But before making your choice, if you have the chance, I can't recommend our open days highly enough. They are a great opportunity to meet staff and current students, to explore our great facilities, and to see for yourself what Southampton Solent can offer.

Thank you for your interest in Southampton Solent University – I wish you all the best with your choices and future study, and hope to have the chance to welcome you to the University very soon.

Professor Graham Baldwin
Vice-Chancellor



Why Solent?

An international university with over 160 years of history, Southampton Solent knows that employers want more from their staff – and we go to exceptional lengths to deliver the skills, knowledge and practical experience they're looking for.

Whether you're interested in taking your existing skills higher or retraining for your dream career, Solent can help you add fresh ideas, high-level theoretical knowledge and an innovative new perspective on the challenges of professional life – as well as great opportunities to develop the real-world experience that will help you stand out to prospective employers.

This is your chance – to expand your skillset, to explore the limits of your imagination and to uncover a whole world of potential opportunities.

Great opportunities for industry experience

- Our teaching staff is made up of specialists, ex-professionals and practising experts, giving you a huge range of industry connections to take advantage of.

In the heart of an exciting city

- Everything you could want is within easy reach of campus and our student residence – from culture to watersports, from peaceful parkland to fantastic restaurants, music and shopping.

Diverse and active student community

- With a strong international presence and plenty of clubs and societies at our students' union, you'll have every opportunity to engage in your favourite sports and hobbies, and to build a network of professional connections with people from cultures and countries all across the globe.

Strong support for our alumni

- Between our close-knit alumni association and extensive graduate and enterprise support, Solent goes above and beyond for its students – ensuring a friendly, supportive university experience that lasts long after you've finished your course.
- We have been recognised as one of the leading universities for student and graduate start-up businesses (HE-BCI survey 2014).

One of Which? University's most creative UK universities

- As voted by students, two years in a row – and with specialist studios for everything from animation and special effects to video game art, our own public art gallery and an established graduate artists-in-residence programme, it's easy to see why.

A UK leader in academic and competitive sports

- Thanks to our specialist sport science labs, students and academics have worked with professional athletes from Southampton FC, the Team GB Olympic squad and many more. We're also home to the internationally renowned Lawrie McMenemy Centre for Football Research, and *The Times Good University Guide* has called us a leader in football-related study.

Internationally recognised as a world leader in maritime

- Our Warsash Maritime Academy is one of the world's leading maritime training providers, and our maritime and engineering courses have strong industry links and a long history of graduate employment.



What we offer – the Solent postgraduate experience

Modern employers are looking for more – that might be why you're considering postgraduate study, and it's why we complement our high-level teaching with practical professional experience, excellent learning resources and a rich, supportive student community.

Excellent resources

Our well-stocked libraries are open for 24 hours during term-time weekdays – and even when they are closed, all our students have remote access to thousands of e-books and journals across a huge range of subjects, ensuring you can find the information you need whenever you need it.

Through your course you can also access the latest equipment, software and facilities – giving you the chance to build practical, hands-on experience using all the professional tools.

Research-informed teaching

We have an active, growing research community at Southampton Solent University, with a trend towards the kind of practical, applied research that meets the needs of industry and commerce.

We seek to create new knowledge, whether through technical innovation, analysis or creative practice; research and taught students alike can develop personally and professionally in a supportive community with full access to the University's facilities.

Our academics and postgraduates work on a wide variety of highly focused topics – giving our students the chance to acquire vital research skills and become genuinely expert in their area of study. And opportunities for broader collaboration are plentiful, thanks to the diverse international research communities in which we work.

Meanwhile our dedicated Solent Learning and Teaching Institute supports students, lecturers and researchers alike, helping create an environment of learning excellence underpinned by active research.

It aims to investigate innovations in teaching and open the doors to the world of research, encouraging lecturers to incorporate their research into everyday teaching and creating embedded research experiences for learners.



Collaborative, practical learning

Developed with employers and the industry in mind, our courses are led by academic experts and professional practitioners who combine exceptional subject knowledge with strong industry connections.

As part of a collaborative team of staff and postgraduate students, you'll have the chance to contribute to the debate – and benefit from our academics' practical insights, professional connections and potential to deliver unique work experience opportunities.

Engagement with industry

Our course teams have strong links with local, national and international industries and businesses, and most Solent courses deliver regular guest speakers and networking opportunities.

Our courses also have a strong focus on giving you real experience that you can put on your CV, offering a range of work placements, study trips, exchange opportunities and industry workshops where you can apply your skills and knowledge.

A great community

When you study at Southampton Solent University, you become part of our diverse and welcoming community.

We always promote equality of treatment, regardless of gender, race, age, disability, sexual orientation, religion or belief. We provide a safe, secure and healthy environment, free from harassment, bullying and discrimination.

Dedicated support

We do everything we can to support your academic growth and to make sure your time with us is productive and fun. Many of our courses offer flexible or part-time study, so you can learn at your own pace.

From financial advice to mental health, from faith issues to academic worries, our Student Hub offers help and support on every aspect of student life and study. We also offer specialised academic support on topics like study skills or managing your time.

For our international students, you can get advice on studying in the UK, health information and IT workshops, so you can feel confident starting your studies here.

Before you apply

All the information you need about life as a postgraduate student at Southampton Solent University is easy to find. Come along to one of our open days, check out our website, watch one of our videos or talk to our dedicated support team – we can offer funding advice, application support and even course planning help.

You can even explore our campus without ever leaving home, thanks to online tours of our great facilities.

solent.ac.uk/virtual-tour



Supporting success

Taking on a postgraduate course can be demanding, but we're committed to supporting you every step of the way.

At Southampton Solent University you will have access to all our professional advice and support services, helping you to focus on your studies.

Our postgraduate students get extensive contact time with a tutor or supervisor chosen to match you and your interests. Our teaching staff are approachable, encouraging and engaged with your academic needs.

As part of our support for students, you can visit our friendly Student Hub and speak to our knowledgeable student advisers. They offer impartial information and advice on all aspects of student life.

We also have a range of specialist advice and support services covering disability, funding and money, accommodation, careers, employability, study skills, international students, counselling, health and chaplaincy.

Whatever support you need, we'll put you in touch with the right person.

solent.ac.uk/studentsupport



90% student satisfaction
with IT and library resources

Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey 2015



“

Enrolling for my master's, I disclosed my mobility issues and a recently diagnosed condition that I was unsure would allow me to complete the course. The SSU advisor listened to my issues and arranged for an assessor to evaluate my learning needs. It took me longer to achieve the master's, but because of the help and understanding I was given I was very determined. Judged on my marks, I was then invited to continue as a PhD student. This is a very serious long-term commitment, but my determination, the ethos of the University and Access Solent's support have helped me to negotiate barriers and to overcome them in order to continue with my PhD. It is a privilege for me to study at such a forward-looking, progressive university. ”

Jenny, PhD student



94% student satisfaction
with research supervision

Postgraduate Research Experience Survey 2015



Increase your career potential

At Southampton Solent University, employability and enterprise are at the heart of everything we do. We use industry experts to help teach and shape our courses, combining theory with practice and delivering the skills and knowledge employers want. We have connections with a multitude of industries and professions, providing opportunities to take part in real-world learning, work with external clients and deliver professional projects – and many of our courses are accredited by professional and regulatory bodies, so employers will instantly recognise your skills.

We want you to thrive, so we'll also help you if you're considering getting freelance experience or want to start up your own business.



9/10 (92.3%) UK/EU-domiciled postgraduate leavers were in work, or were working and studying, six months after graduation



Helping you to find work

Our friendly employability advisers can help you find part-time and relevant work during your time at Southampton Solent. They offer one-to-one meetings, workshops and excellent online resources to support your job search.

Building contacts

Our online job boards focus on Southampton Solent's students and graduates, nurturing excellent relationships with key industry businesses. The mentoring programme can match you with a local industry specialist to mentor you and help you develop your professional confidence. We can even help you improve your LinkedIn profile and networking skills.



“

I like the real-world experience. The course gives us the opportunity to work for business via live brief assignments and consultancy projects. ”

Sophie Delaporte, MA Marketing Management

Boosting employability

The University's course teams have strong links to their respective industries, and we strongly encourage all our students – postgraduates included – to use Solent's network of professional connections to build the working experience that employers value at every level. We also offer plenty of career skills support, from CV workshops to job-hunting advice, while our research hubs can provide students with an avenue for publication and building recognition as a professional specialist in your chosen field.

Student and graduate enterprise

As a student you can develop freelance skills and experience whilst studying by getting involved with training courses, enterprise societies and our creative agencies – Solent Creatives, Solent Productions and Solent Music. And not only do we encourage and support our students to develop employment skills, but we also provide training, mentoring and financial support for student business start-ups, with match funding of up to £2,000 that you can apply for.





Life as a mature student

How the University can support you

Southampton Solent's student community is a diverse and friendly one, and our mature students – those aged 21 or over at the start of their studies – are a big part of this.

The majority of postgraduate students at Solent are mature, so we have plenty of experience helping you to rediscover your academic skills, balance your studies with family and work commitments, and make the most of everything the Solent student experience has to offer.

As a postgraduate student you could have many attributes and transferable skills that you can incorporate into your studies at Solent. Life and work experiences, from managing family responsibilities to having real industry knowledge, equip you with skills in time management, problem solving and multi-tasking.

Our postgraduate students have a real passion and enthusiasm for their chosen course and this, combined with experience and knowledge, is really beneficial.

Support and advice

Managing workloads and course expectations after a long period out of education can sometimes be difficult. We offer all mature students specialised academic support on topics like study skills, e-learning and managing your time effectively, and our pastoral support is designed to fit flexibly around your busy schedule.

“

I found the course very enjoyable and stimulating. The flexible structure really fitted well around my home life and the constant support and guidance ensured that I kept on track. I can honestly say that I found the whole experience rewarding and it has developed me both professionally and as a person. ”

**Karen Bateman, D Young & Co LLP,
MA Personnel and Development, graduate**



Socialising as a mature student

If you want to meet other mature students during your studies, the Students' Union Mature Students Society organises events such as coffee mornings and themed film nights. There are plenty of societies and sports clubs too, giving you the chance to meet people of all ages with similar interests.

Find out for yourself

If you can come along to one of our open days, one of our mature student ambassadors will be happy to talk to you about life at Solent as a mature student. We also have an online live chat facility and encourage you to go online and chat with us if you have any questions or concerns.



The quality of the teaching is exceptional and the support offered by the tutors makes the entire process straightforward. I was recently invited to join another organisation in a more senior position and I attribute this to the learning I have gone through. ”

**David Evans, HR manager,
MA Personnel and Development**



A campus created for you

Located right in the heart of Southampton, our main East Park Terrace campus is ideally placed – giving you easy access to everything from shops to restaurants, from cafés to culture.

But there's plenty on campus to keep you busy, too.

Knowledge

Open 24 hours a day during the week in term-time, the University's libraries are modern and comprehensive – putting a huge range of resources at your disposal.

You'll be able to browse our extensive collections of books, videos and DVDs, and have remote access to electronic information sources such as e-books and online journals.

Our networked resource centres are equipped with Macs and modern PCs, with plenty of space for group study and printing, scanning and binding facilities.

And you can improve your learning and study skills through succeed@solent, which offers regular training and workshops on project research, referencing, computer skills, job-hunting and much more.

The library also has hundreds of bookable, WiFi-enabled study spaces, including dedicated slots for postgraduate and research students. If you're looking for somewhere quiet to get your work done – whether alone or as part of a group, overnight or at the weekend – the library is perfect.



150+ years of educational history

£100 million

campus investment (2010 to 2020)



Advice and support

From international advice to mental health, faith issues to academic worries, our Student Hub offers help and support on every aspect of student life and study. With a central location on campus, right by the shop and our main Dock restaurant, the hub is run by specialist support staff who can advise on a range of issues, or help point you in the right direction.

The specialist advice and support services at the hub can help with:

- funding, money and debt
- adjusting to living and studying in the UK if you are an international student
- chaplaincy, religion and belief
- careers, employability and business start-up
- academic and study skills
- counselling and talking therapy
- health and wellbeing
- disability and accessibility matters
- learning difficulties such as dyslexia or dyspraxia, and targeted learning support strategies.

Whatever you might face during your time at Southampton Solent, we'll be there to offer the support you need.

Food and drink

From snacks to a sit-down meal, there are plenty of choices on campus: restaurants, cafés and deli-bars offering a wide selection of food and beverages.



Studying at Solent has been a great experience. It has introduced me to many different ideas and broadened my world view. ”

Yetunde Omolara Olaleye, MA Marketing Management graduate





Sport and leisure

The Students' Union is home to our postgraduate and mature students society, as well as dozens of other clubs and societies covering everything from board games to martial arts to entrepreneurship. University is a great time to discover fantastic new hobbies and activities you wouldn't otherwise have the chance to try – and Solent offers plenty of options. Can't find the society you want? Set up your own!

Solent Sport also offers a huge range of teams, many of them successful at international and national levels. Whatever you like to play, from well-established favourites like hockey, football and sailing to more exotic activities like wakeboarding and sub-aqua, Solent has it all.

Sports facilities at the University are excellent – check out our multi-million-pound Test Park sports ground, featuring a floodlit football stadium, a full-size, all-weather 3G pitch for American Football, and half a dozen other pitches for five-a-side, rugby and more.

We also have several gyms and sports halls scattered around campus, our climbing wall is just five minutes' walk away, and our superb, RYA-recognised watersports centre at Warsash campus is your chance to enjoy the fantastic conditions out on the Solent.





Music, art and culture

From art to the latest blockbuster, there's plenty going on. Our public Solent Showcase Gallery puts on fascinating free exhibitions by local and international artists, while our student-run, state-of-the-art 3D cinema shows the latest blockbusters at student-friendly prices.

Coffee bars, cafés and diners – the campus has many places where you can eat, relax and meet up with friends. We have a buzzing neighbourhood nightlife featuring great local and national bands – and don't forget the Students' Union bar, which is always a great way to start an evening.

There is plenty going on around campus, too. From the annual student fashion show and our own SMILE live music festival to community events like Music in the City, fairs and exhibitions, it's never dull at Southampton Solent. And if you're looking for something a little more relaxed, our Students' Union also hosts quiz nights, open mic nights and more.





First-class facilities

Some of the facilities available to you

- High-definition (HD) television studios
- A state-of-the-art outside broadcast vehicle, used by Solent students to broadcast live from events like the Glastonbury festival
- FA-accredited sports facilities
- £1 million music recording studios
- A performance space with HD filming facilities
- A £1.3 million hi-tech sports science laboratory
- An in-house composites lab
- A 60-metre towing tank for yacht design and testing.

Solent is focused on ensuring students have access to the latest professional-grade equipment and facilities – whatever course you're studying. Get a taste of what Solent has to offer:

Media and media technology

Solent's dedicated media academy includes three high-definition TV studios, one of the biggest HD studios in the south of England, a green-screen studio, high-definition editing facilities and a 3D, 35mm cinema featuring the latest Dolby Atmos surround sound facilities – technology that's available at only a handful of universities worldwide.



Creative space

Add to that five fully featured radio and audio recording studios, specialist fashion, hair and make-up studios, and our professional-grade newsroom, photography studio and animation studio, and you've got all the tools you could ever need to experiment, create and showcase your work.

Sport and sport science

We have purpose-built labs for biomechanics and psychology, as well as a BASES-accredited physiology lab, giving you access to the tools you need to monitor your subjects – data collection software, motion capture, eye tracking, reaction timers, force transducers and more.

Labs and workshops

From our web usability testing lab or temperature-controlled composite materials lab to a state-of-the-art design suite for built environment students, our labs, workshops and engineering facilities are your chance to gain valuable experience with professional kit.



Our stunning new Spark building

Coming onto campus, the first thing most people notice is our new Spark building's brilliant red central 'pod' – a full-size elevated lecture room with an open-topped viewing platform, standing in the middle of our spectacular atrium.

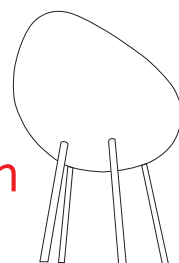
With innovative design and bespoke facilities, the visionary new £30 million building offers our students the very best learning environment, while the atrium itself is a real hub of social activity, designed as a central social space for students and featuring state-of-the-art lighting, acoustics and equipment for exhibitions and events.

This is only part of our vision for the East Park Terrace campus – we're spending £100 million on our facilities between 2010 and 2020, and plans are under way for a new sport and sport science complex, a landscaped plaza and other enhanced facilities for students, staff and visitors.



New £30 million

teaching and learning building
in spring 2016





An international university

Solent for international students

Solent welcomes students from all over the world – making up around 15 per cent of the student body and giving our campus community a diverse, international feel.

Whether you are applying from your home country or are already studying in the UK, our international team is here to help.

Improving your English language skills

Our summer pre-sessional English language courses are designed to help improve your reading, writing, listening and speaking skills before you start university – making sure you meet the levels required for your chosen postgraduate course. Find out more on page 77.

International help and advice

Our international advice team will support you throughout your student experience, from arrival to graduation. We can provide information and advice on visas and immigration matters, life in the UK, employment and more.

For courses starting in September, we offer a short, online pre-arrival course which is specifically designed to help prepare you for life in the UK, both academically and socially. You can chat to other students from around the world who are coming to study at Solent, and hear from current students who will talk to you about their experiences.

And when you arrive, our induction programme provides the chance to meet fellow students, find your way around the campus and settle into Southampton life.

Activities include:

- service/department presentations from staff
- medical registration
- city tours
- social activities
- accommodation tours.



I've had the time of my life at Southampton Solent University. Studying at an English university has boosted my language skills and confidence. The University is a culturally diverse institution and I have made many new friends. ”

Malgorzata Furyk, MA Human Resource Management, student

Internationally focused

One World Fair

Our annual One World Fair celebrates Southampton Solent University's rich and diverse student community, and aims to help international students feel more at home through a range of activities including poetry, jewellery-making and dance workshops.

Black History Month

The University also supports Southampton's Black History Month – a citywide celebration of the culture and history of people of African, Caribbean, North/South American, Asian and mixed descent.



1,549 international and EU
HE students from more than 100 countries

Solent International Society

Solent International Society organises events to help break language and cultural barriers, creating a friendly, inclusive and multicultural student community and stimulating cultural awareness. The society also helps international students with any issues or challenges they might be facing, from academic skills to bridging the culture gap.

Contact us

To find out more about studying at Southampton Solent, our international entry requirements or English language requirements, contact:

Tel: +44 (0)23 8201 3646

Email: international@solent.ac.uk

solent.ac.uk/international



Southampton – a city of opportunities

Solent has a few sites around Southampton, but our main campus is at East Park Terrace – right in the heart of this busy, exciting city.

Most of our postgraduate students study here, just a short walk from Emily Davies student residence, and with easy access to everything one of the south coast's largest and most vibrant cities can offer.



In the UK's **top ten** happiest cities

46,000+ students

A total population of over 239,000

£1.6 billion

of new city investment committed or underway

Shopping and food

WestQuay shopping centre is one of the biggest in the country, with over 150 shops and a huge and varied food court – offering everything from quick snacks to fine dining.

And the retail complex is set to get even bigger. In 2015 work began on WestQuay's 'Watermark' expansion, adding a £70 million leisure facility, an even broader range of restaurants and a fourth cinema to Southampton's already bustling city centre.

There's more to Southampton than WestQuay, though. The high street is filled with all the familiar names, while Oxford Street, Bedford Place and other avenues tempt you out to the fringes of the city centre with clusters of boutique stores and a rich, restaurant-studded nightlife.

The city has a real night-time buzz and offers a wide selection of traditional English pubs, sophisticated bars and exciting restaurants – everything from well-known chains to the delicious menus of independent gems.



Culture and history

Southampton has a fascinating history, from the *Mayflower's* departure to America in 1620 to the *Titanic's* fateful journey or development of the Spitfire in World War II – but there's a lot of life in these old walls.

Film lovers are spoiled for choice in Southampton, with Cineworld and Odeon multiplexes offering all of the latest blockbusters. Harbour Lights provides a more arthouse experience, showing everything from the latest international or independent releases to live streams of West End theatre productions, opera and more.

Southampton is also one of the greenest cities in the country, with five central parks clustered around Solent's East Park Terrace campus ... plus a vast, 300-acre common that's home to everything from a wildlife reserve to several lakes.

So whether you're looking for a place to sit and read, a quiet café for lunch with friends or somewhere for a quick football game, there's plenty of room to relax.







Music and theatre

Southampton has had a thriving cultural scene for decades, and the choice of music venues and genres is astonishingly broad.

Live and alternative venues are scattered across the city, with alternative favourites The Joiners and Lennon's mixing with the Hobbit's folk and rock, the Orange Rooms' live DJs, soul and blues at the Platform Tavern and much more.

And Southampton is a regular stop on the UK tour circuit for both music and theatre. The Mayflower Theatre tends to get all the biggest London productions, musicals, ballet and more, while the O2 Guildhall – a premier music venue just a few minutes from campus – has hosted everyone from legends like Bob Dylan to the latest indie and pop superstars.

The city also hosts a range of music and cultural events throughout the year, from Solent's own SMILEfest event to the Common People festival.



The weekend-long extravaganza from Bestival mastermind Rob Da Bank first came to the city in 2015, bringing stars such as Fat Boy Slim, De La Soul, Band of Skulls and Grace Jones to the open spaces of Southampton Common.





Sport

Whether you play or watch, Southampton has plenty of sporting action. The city is home to regular Premier League football at Southampton FC's St Mary's Stadium, a few minutes' walk from campus, as well as county and national cricket at Hampshire's home ground, the Ageas Bowl.

Just across Southampton Water from the city centre you'll find Calshot Activities Centre, offering watersports, snowsports, rock climbing, the south's only indoor velodrome and more outdoor activities.

Out and about

If you want to do something a bit different, it's only a short trip to the famous beaches of Bournemouth or the miles of stunning Hampshire coastline.

Right on Southampton's doorstep, the New Forest National Park is a perfect outdoor playground – ideal for anything from hiking or horse riding to mountain biking or simply going for a stroll.

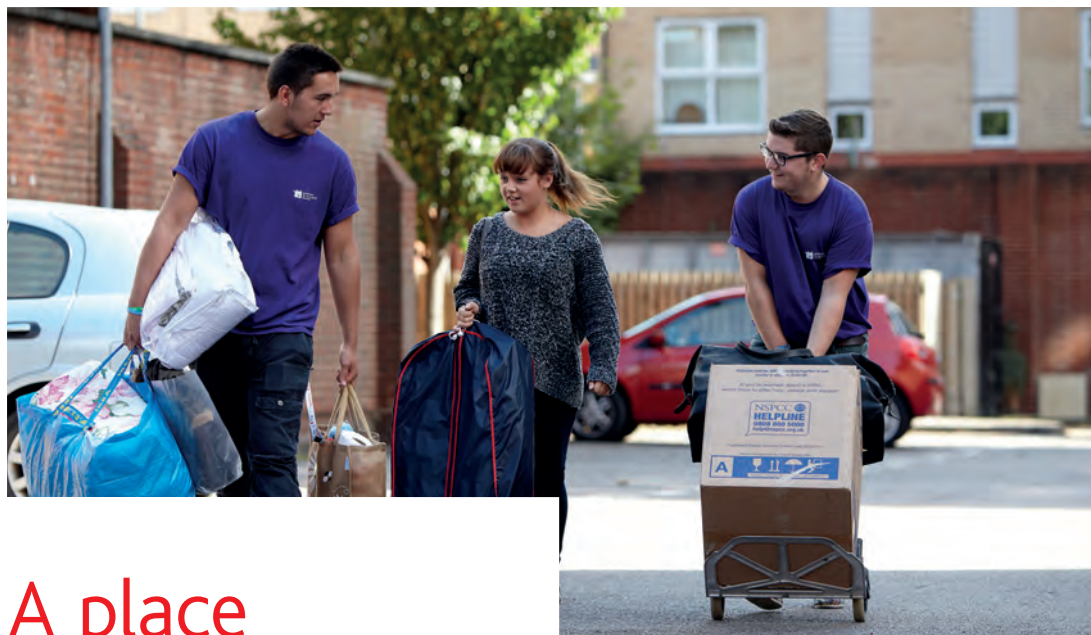
The ancient city of Winchester is just 20 minutes away by train or road. You can wander in the cathedral grounds, explore its cultural heritage, or shop for vintage clothes, crafts and antiques in the city's street markets.

London, too, is just a short train ride away. You can get to the capital in under an hour and a half, making it the perfect weekend day-trip.



Southampton Common's **326 acres** provide managed woodland and open space in the heart of the city

180+
pubs, bars and nightclubs



A place of your own – accommodation at Solent

Student accommodation is more than a roof over your head. It's a place of your own, filled with friends and fun. So we know how important it is to get your accommodation right.

Whether you live in our postgraduate student residence or decide to rent privately, our dedicated accommodation team will support you in finding the right place for you.



Living in the student halls is a great experience; I got to meet people from various backgrounds and learn about their cultures, countries and traditions. The city centre, train and bus stations are all very close to the halls. ”

Ozair Shaikh, MSc International Business Management



Emily Davies student residence

Our Emily Davies residence is usually set aside for postgraduate and second- or third-year students. There's a really sociable atmosphere at the residence, plus it has a fantastic central location and is only a ten-minute walk away from the main campus.

The residence features:

- individual or shared study-bedrooms, with bed, wardrobe, chair and desk – no need to bring your own
- organised into apartments of three or four study-bedrooms, with a well-equipped kitchen and bathroom/shower
- vending machines and a shared laundry and common room
- bicycle storage points
- free WiFi up to 40mb throughout the residence, including every study-bedroom.

Many rooms also have en-suite facilities, available at extra cost. Limited car parking is also available at each residence.



Safe and supported

When you come to university, you want space and independence – but help is never far away if you need it. All of our residences have 24/7 support from our dedicated on-site residence team.

Our residences are also safe and secure – every entrance, study-bedroom and kitchen area is designed so that only residents and their guests can enter.

And of course, all of our residences meet fire safety regulations and the government-approved code of practice for the management of student housing.

Accessible to all

For students with disabilities or special needs, the residences can provide anything from vibrating pillows for the deaf to hoists and purpose-built rooms located on the ground floor of some residences for wheelchair users and students with mobility difficulties.

We also have larger rooms for students who need extra space for essential equipment, and can provide fridges in bedrooms for medical purposes.

Further adaptations can be made following an occupational therapist's assessment, and free parking is available for blue badge holders, both at the residences and on campus.

Renting privately

If you would like a bit more independence, you have plenty of private housing options within easy reach of the University. The Southampton Accreditation Scheme for Student Housing (SASSH) can help you search for properties, view housing maps and leave messages about looking for accommodation, spare rooms or potential new housemates, while our dedicated private sector housing adviser can help with any questions or concerns.

solent.ac.uk/accommodation
sassh.co.uk



Paying for your studies

There are several options for paying your fees, including credit or debit cards, bank transfer or cash.

For international payments, we use the safe and secure Pay to Study platform, at no extra cost to you.

Postgraduate funding

As of 2016 student loans are available to postgraduate students under the age of 60. www.prospects.ac.uk/postgraduate However if you need to arrange other financial support some funding and bursaries may be available from charities, foundations and trusts, and there are many funding options available for both UK and international students. You can find links to these on our website: solent.ac.uk

You can also take out loans including professional and career development loans. These are bank loans that can help to pay for work-related learning. You can get a loan of up to £10,000, and while you are learning (and for one month afterwards) the government will pay the interest on your loan for you. For more information, visit: www.gov.uk/career-development-loans

Students with dependants

If you have children or other dependants and are considering studying full-time with Solent, you can get help with fees and loans, but you may also be eligible for a grant or further funding. For more information, visit: www.gov.uk/student-finance

Solent Access to Learning Fund

The Solent Access to Learning Fund is a non-repayable grant for students who are in financial hardship whilst studying at the University. It can't be used to pay your fees but can help with living costs, childcare, travel, accommodation, household expenses, books and course equipment.

Please be aware that international students are not able to apply for this fund.

Find out more information about how to apply on our website: solent.ac.uk/financesupport



Fees

We firmly believe in offering distinctiveness, excellence and real value for students.

You can find course fees by visiting the relevant course page on our website. In addition to tuition fees, bear in mind that you will have to pay for your transport and living costs (accommodation, food and so on). You may also need to buy some equipment and pay for any field visits specific to your course.

Early repayment discount

If you are a self-funded student personally contributing a minimum of £500 towards your tuition fees, and you pay in full three days before the start date of your course, you may qualify for a 5 per cent discount.

Southampton Solent University graduate discount

Graduates of any Southampton Solent University first or master's-level degree course who return to study are eligible to apply for an alumni discount. There will normally be a 10 per cent reduction on the tuition fee of any course which leads to a University award which has a duration of 12 months or more. Discounts may also be available, at the University's discretion, for alumni studying towards other provision awarded by external bodies – for example, recognised professional bodies – and for research degrees. Alumni discount forms can be obtained online.



International scholarship scheme

We have a number of scholarships for overseas students. You will need to be a self-funded, full fee-paying student and not currently studying or living in the UK. For further eligibility criteria and up-to-date information, please visit: solent.ac.uk/international

Solent Sport scholarships

Solent Sport offers different levels of support to student athletes, based on their sporting talent and potential. The High Performance Academy provides bursaries of up to £750 for accommodation in halls, with further benefits totalling up to £2,500. Sports scholarships are also awarded for students who excel in cricket and basketball. These cover the cost of tuition fees paid in the first year and provide a fees discount of 50 per cent in future years. To find out more and apply, visit our website or contact:

Email: high.performance@solent.ac.uk

Email: sports.scholarship@solent.ac.uk
solent.ac.uk/funding



Entry requirements

General entry requirements

For entry to our postgraduate master's degree courses, you will be required to show evidence of your academic and professional background. The minimum requirement is a qualification equivalent to a UK bachelor's degree. For detailed course entry requirements, visit our website's course pages: solent.ac.uk/courses

We welcome applicants from a diverse range of backgrounds. Applicants who are not in possession of the minimum entry requirements but are able to demonstrate aptitude, enthusiasm and motivation will be considered on an individual basis and may be admitted subject to satisfactory interview and/or portfolio. Please contact us for further details.

Additional requirements

Some of our courses may require specific qualifications at a certain level or have additional requirements. Examples of additional requirements include:

Research degree entry requirements

For the entry requirements for an MPhil or PhD, see 'How to apply' on page 44.



English language requirements

EU/EEA/non-EEA applicants will need to demonstrate

an acceptable level of English in all four components of language learning (reading, writing, listening and speaking).

The University accepts various English language qualifications, depending on your application and visa status. Many applicants submit an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) exam or equivalent to demonstrate their level of English.

The normal grade required to demonstrate competence for postgraduate courses is:

- IELTS 6.5 overall (with a minimum of 6.0 in reading, writing, listening and speaking).



Student visas

Please note that the UK Home Office's English language requirements for obtaining a Tier 4 General Student Visa may be different from Southampton Solent's requirements above. You may have to meet these additional requirements to be granted a visa.

Visit www.gov.uk and search 'student visa' for more information.

Portfolio and interview requirements

Some courses require you to attend an interview (in person or by phone/video call, as appropriate) or provide a portfolio/sample of your work. Once you apply for a course, we'll contact you with the specific details of what is required. Alternatively, for more information, visit the course pages on our website.

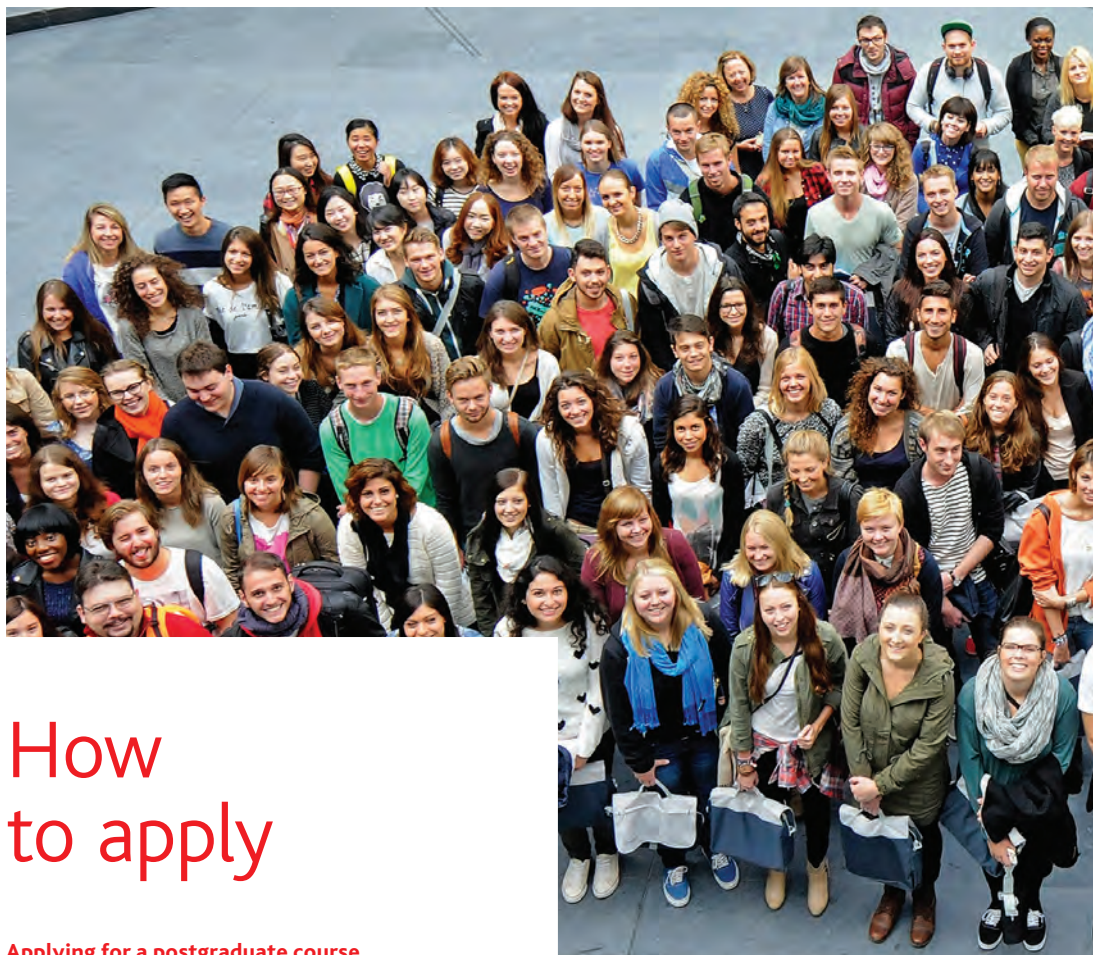
Criminal convictions checks

Some courses will also require Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks. These are shown in the course entry profiles.

Applicants with special requirements

During your application, please declare any specific learning difficulties, medical conditions, mental health conditions, physical or sensory impairments or autistic spectrum conditions, and let us know of any anticipated support needs.

The University may not be able to provide appropriate support if you don't make a full declaration at the time of application.



How to apply

Applying for a postgraduate course

If you are interested in a taught postgraduate course, you should apply directly to the University. You can find an application form and guidance notes on the course pages on our website.

For postgraduate research courses, see page 44.

Application deadlines

There is no formal deadline for postgraduate studies. However, we recommend that you send your application form as early as possible to secure a place or apply for a visa.

What happens next?

If you have been accepted, we will send you an offer letter detailing the fees and any conditions.

- If you need to apply for a visa, you will also need a Certificate of Acceptance for Study (CAS) provided by us; please see our website for further information: solent.ac.uk/international
- If your offer is conditional, please send your results to us, along with the acceptance of study form which will be sent with your offer.

- If you satisfy the conditions, you will be made an unconditional offer; please contact the University as soon as possible to let us know if you accept your offer; you will be required to complete and return an acceptance of study form which will be sent to you with your offer.

Contact details

UK students

All enquiries should be addressed to the enquiries and events team.

Tel: +44 (0)23 8201 3039

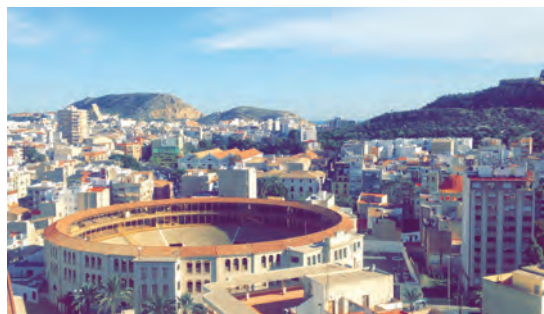
Email: ask@solent.ac.uk

Details are also available on our website:

solent.ac.uk

International students

For information about applications, offers, visas, pre-arrival, accommodation, payments and induction, please email: ask@solent.ac.uk or visit our webpage: solent.ac.uk/international



Exchange and study abroad

We encourage international links, industry contacts and work placements throughout your study. We have bilateral agreements with over 60 universities worldwide. This means that, depending on your course, there may be opportunities for Southampton Solent University students to undertake research abroad with the Erasmus+ programme.

We also welcome applications from international students wishing to study with us on a fee-paying study abroad programme.

For full information on study abroad opportunities, please visit: solent.ac.uk/international

Further information on the application process is available from the international exchange team.

Tel: +44 (0)23 8201 3039

Email: international.exchange@solent.ac.uk

Enrolment

Qualifications are assessed before enrolment and you must bring your original certificates for verification when you arrive at the University.

If you live outside the European Union/European Economic Area, you will need to organise a student visa before coming to study in the UK.

Applicants with specific support needs

Applicants are strongly advised to declare any specific learning difficulties, medical conditions, mental health conditions, physical or sensory impairments or autistic spectrum conditions. We are unable to guarantee provision of appropriate support if a full declaration is not made at the time of application, so we recommend that you clearly state any anticipated support needs. This aids our planning, should the offer of a place be made.



Open days

Visiting Southampton Solent University is a great way to get a feel for the University, see our excellent facilities and learn from current postgraduate students and staff members what it's really like to study here.

We have open days throughout the year for you to attend. While you're visiting you can find out more about the course you want to study, meet academic and support staff, and get a glimpse of the vibrant city life that Southampton has to offer.

Our tours encourage you to take a look around our industry-standard facilities, lively learning spaces and one of our comfortable student residences. You'll also be able to find out more about financing postgraduate study and ask our friendly team any questions you might have.

Make the most of your visit ...

Come to our open day and get a real insight into your future at Solent.

There are lots of things to see and do during your visit including:

- meeting with academic course leaders to discuss your chosen course
- attending a talk on student life at Solent
- visiting our Student Hub for more information on student support
- talking to the accommodation team about our student residence
- joining campus tours of our numerous facilities
- touring our sports facilities
- learning about the Students' Union.



Personalised international visits

Moving country to study is a big step and, as an international student, we know it is incredibly important to get a feel for the University, see the facilities that will support your course and explore the city you'll be living in. Although you are welcome to attend our open days, we believe you can benefit hugely from a personalised visit.

The international recruitment office will be happy to show you around both the campus and the relevant facilities, arranging an appointment whenever possible with a lecturer and providing you with advice about the most suitable course for you. We are also glad to arrange for you to sit an English language assessment in order to evaluate your current level of English.

Contact us to find out more or to book a visit:

Tel: +44 (0)23 8201 3039

Email: ask@solent.ac.uk

solent.ac.uk/opendays



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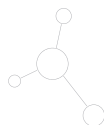
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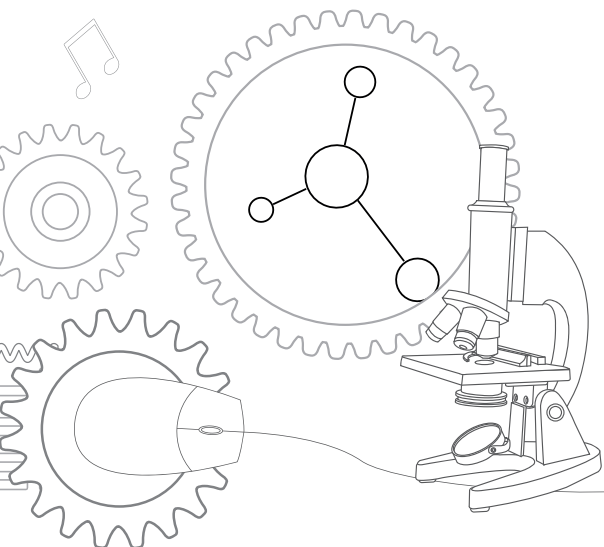
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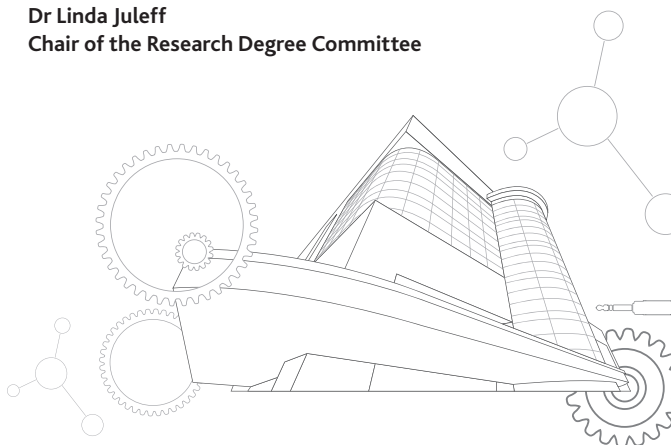
Postgraduate research studies

Southampton Solent University's research community thrives on the commitment of its staff and students. We work in selected areas on a wide variety of significant problems. In close partnership with our research students, we seek to create new knowledge, whether through technical innovation, analysis, creative practice or the systematic codification of information.

Knowledge creation rests on proper understanding of the domain in which it is situated, and excellence in scholarship is an essential underpinning. Research needs to be tested, and communication of results is fundamental to this process, where colleagues across the world are able to test and comment on professionally presented methodology and results.

All researchers are therefore encouraged to publish their work and produce artefacts and performances of a high standing. The communities of practice in which we work are international, and opportunities for collaboration are equally cosmopolitan. The award of research degrees is through a long-established agreement with Nottingham Trent University (NTU).

Dr Linda Juleff
Chair of the Research Degree Committee



Research degrees

There are three types of research degree that can be studied for at Southampton Solent University:

- Master of Philosophy (MPhil)
- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) – via transfer from MPhil registration
- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) – direct

To gain an MPhil, you critically investigate and evaluate a topic and demonstrate an understanding of appropriate associated research methods. You will need to show originality in the application of knowledge and problem solving, and also an understanding of how the boundaries of knowledge are advanced through research.

To gain a PhD, you are required to produce a body of work that contains a significant and original contribution to knowledge in your chosen subject area, which is sufficiently important to merit publication. The majority of students wishing to gain a PhD qualification will do so via transfer from MPhil registration (option two). To be permitted onto PhD direct registration (option three), you will need to demonstrate adequately that you have substantial research skills at an appropriate level, such as a previous MPhil or refereed publications in an area relevant to the topic.

Research areas

Research and innovation at Solent is organised around four thematic, multidisciplinary areas that are intended to facilitate excellence and collaboration both within Solent and with partner organisations, as well as to address issues of local, national and global importance.

Our four Research and Innovation Hubs are:

- Business and Society
- Creative and Digital Industries
- Maritime, Technology and Environment
- Sport, Health and Wellbeing

Students and staff may belong to one or more Hubs and are encouraged to participate in workshops, seminars, researcher development and other activities.

Southampton Solent University has a wide range of research areas currently available, which are listed below. To discuss any areas of research prior to making an application, please contact us:

Telephone:

Research Administrator: +44 (0)23 8201 3577

General Enquiry: +44 (0)23 8201 3039

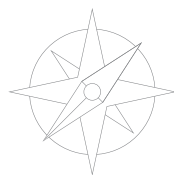
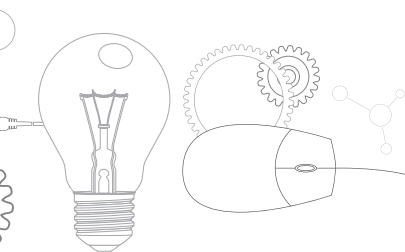
Email: research.admissions@solent.ac.uk

Research facilities

Each full-time research student is guaranteed access to a minimum of:

- IT and telecommunication resources, including the use of a PC, software and access to a telephone line
- printing and photocopying facilities
- library resources, including the inter-library loan facility
- working space in the research centre
- specialist in-house facilities.

Learning support facilities for part-time research students are more variable and are normally negotiated between the intending student and the Graduate Studies centre prior to enrolment.



91% student satisfaction

with the overall research experience

Postgraduate Research Experience Survey 2015

Business and society

The business and society research hub brings together those interested in fields such as social policy, business management, criminology, law and languages. It is an intellectual home for student and staff researchers, fostering an environment of discovery and application of new knowledge.

Researchers are engaged in projects relating to SME growth, tourism, social enterprise, cybercrime, marketing, trade and more.

Seeking out real-world applications

The hub is focused on ensuring that all of our student and academic researchers are engaged and supported in developing their research, exploring collaborative relationships and identifying funding opportunities.

Through our business development activities, consultancy, knowledge exchange initiatives, co-funded projects, studentships, commissioned research, and other partnerships, the hub offers the chance to apply your specialist knowledge and develop actionable research.

Recent projects

Researchers within the business and society research hub enjoy close collaborative relationships with local and national partners, including city and county councils, business organisations, the Leisure Studies Association, the Association for Heterodox Economics and the Association of Chief Police Officers.

The hub has also led successful knowledge transfer partnerships with regional business partners including the Merchant Navy Welfare Board, Business in the Community, Cupe, Tavcom and Total Logistics.

Our strong commitment to social justice is echoed in the hub's work across the areas of equality and diversity, enterprise and community, law, and psychology; examples include a 2014 project exploring young people's perceptions and experiences of peer group or 'gang' activities in the City of Southampton, commissioned by Hampshire Police and Southampton City Council.

The Business and Society Hub is also very active in evaluation activities, particularly the integration of Q Sort into realist evaluation. Evaluations have been undertaken on health research projects and large European funded projects.



Areas of research study

Cognition and perception
Corporate social responsibility (CSR)
Criminology
Critical management
Critical social psychology
Cybercrime
Enterprise development
Enterprise/entrepreneurship education
Entrepreneurship
Environmentally sustainable enterprise
Evaluation studies
General management
Globalisation
Health psychology
Heterodox economics
Higher and further education pedagogies
History of crime and culture
Human resource development (HRD)
Human resource management (HRM)
Intellectual property rights (IPR)
Knowledge and organisational learning
Law
Legal education
Local economic development
Marxian economics
Psychology of personal relationships
Research evaluation
Small business management (SME management)
SME and entrepreneurship policy
Social enterprise
Strategic management

Creative and digital industries

Our creative and digital industries hub acts as a focus for excellence in the fields of visual art, visual design, cultural memory, interactive media, fashion, screen media, creativity and communications.

Solent has a strong record of research and innovation in the creative industries, voted one of the UK's most creative universities in the 2013 and 2014 *Which? University* student polls – and the creative and digital industries hub helps deliver accessible academic expertise in fields as diverse as visual design and cultural studies or cloud computing and digital marketing.

The cross-pollination of ideas and approaches is a key part of research at Solent, and the inter-disciplinary nature of our research hub helps cultivate an atmosphere of openness, collaboration and transparency.

Seeking out real-world applications

The hub also coordinates our research connections with external partners. Sponsored studentships, commissioned research projects and community-based partnership initiatives are just some examples of how the hub can help you develop innovative new approaches and explore creative possibilities from an applied perspective.

Initiatives like media-production centre Solent Productions or our award-winning Solent Creatives agency also work across a broad range of industries – giving you plenty of opportunities for applied and practical research in real-world situations.

Recent projects

Solent researchers have previously contributed to a number of successful projects, including the four-year EU-funded INTERREG-VIVID project (Value Increased by Visual Design).

Recent research projects include:

The Trans-National Creative Exchange

The Trans-National Creative Exchange (TNCE) is a Creative Europe cooperation project, led by members of the creative and digital industries research and innovation hub. It brings together international partners including Solent Showcase Gallery, Cork Institute of Technology,

Wandesford Quay Gallery, The Hague University of Applied Science, Rencontre Audiovisuelles and the China Academy of Art/Shanghai Institute of Design/Sino British Design Centre.

The exchange provides an international platform for emerging creative talent from Europe and China - encouraging partnerships, experimentation and growth. It fosters both professional practitioners and students in the development and internationalisation of their careers.

Areas of research study

- Art and design
- Broadcast media
- Communication and creativity
- Contemporary music
- Creative writing
- Cultural studies
- Design history
- Fashion
- Fashion accessories
- Fashion styling
- Film and television
- Fine art
- History of art
- Interactive digital media
- Journalism
- Literature
- Material aesthetics
- Music
- Photography
- Popular music history
- Popular music in education
- Sonic/visual arts and experimental music
- Styling
- Textiles
- Visual arts



Maritime, technology and environment

Our maritime, technology and environment research and innovation hub draws on Solent's strengths in a range of industries, providing a forum to support the development of postgraduate and undergraduate research, and conducting studies that make a real impact.

The hub has a strong focus on sustainability and our researchers are making important contributions across industry sectors including acoustics and audio technology, the built environment, computing, maritime resource management, maritime environmental management and seafarers' welfare – ensuring you can benefit from the latest up-to-the-minute research and methodology.

Seeking out real-world applications

With a strong focus on producing actionable research, the hub offers postgraduate researchers some unique and exciting opportunities in diverse subject areas, working with partners within industry and beyond to apply expert knowledge and address real, practical needs.

Solent has close ties to industries including shipping, boat building, environmental sciences, international maritime trade, electronic engineering, architecture, and architectural technology. We offer a range of paths to practical real-world collaboration – from co-sponsored research projects to consultancy and knowledge transfer partnerships.

Recent projects

Solent's academic expertise in semi-autonomous electronic systems, business app development and acoustics has recently led to knowledge transfer partnerships with partners including He-man Dual Controls, Five Rivers Childcare and Strategic Audiology Services.

Other projects include:

The MAXCMAS project

A joint two-year project with partners from Rolls-Royce, Atlas UK, Lloyd's Register and Queens University, Belfast, simulating collisions at sea and developing collision avoidance algorithms for autonomous seagoing vessels.

The GEM project

Led by Southampton Solent, this ITF Seafarer's Trust project examines seafarers' welfare and gender issues in a multi-cultural environment at sea, and aims to develop appropriate tools that can help support women within the maritime industry.

MARTHA seafarer fatigue

Led by Solent University and sponsored by TK Foundation, Project MARTHA builds on its predecessor Project HORIZON to explore how data driven initiatives can be used in fatigue risk management systems for seafarers. Solent academics are also part of the UK delegation to the International Maritime Organization.

Sea Traffic Management

Solent researchers are part of a collaborative award on Sea Traffic management with the Swedish Maritime Association.

Areas of research study

Acoustics, environmental acoustics and valuation, building acoustics and medical acoustics
Adaptive optimisation methods
Additive manufacturing
Advanced manufacturing techniques, and materials like composites
Audio engineering
Autonomous vessel operations
Biodiversity and ecosystem services
Built environment
CAD/CAM/CAE
China's Rise as a maritime power in the 21st Century
Computing
Concurrent engineering/DFX
Data mining, modelling and management
Electronic communication systems
Fatigue risk management
Interactive training systems
Knowledge based CAD systems
Manufacturing automation
Marine autonomous systems, environmental policy and management, human factors, human resource management, and operations
Maritime governance and policy
Naval architecture
Rapid manufacturing, and rapid prototyping
Seafarers labour market, work, employment

Sport, health and wellbeing

Sport, health and wellbeing are integral to the wider community, and Solent's research hub provides postgraduate students with opportunities for high-quality applied research while also supporting the needs of schools, community groups and partners in health, leisure and other industries.

The hub draws upon a rich background of existing strength in sports science and health-related disciplines and connections with NHS organisations, GB diving and GB wheelchair rugby. Current research areas include physical activity and health, social innovation, active ageing, addressing health inequalities, athlete support and health informatics.

Researchers within the hub also enjoy close collaborative relationships with local and national partners, including the City and County Councils, the Wessex Academic Health Science Network, and other UK research institutions.

Seeking out real-world applications

The sport, health and wellbeing research hub encourages postgraduate and undergraduate students to engage in research and innovation activities, and works with established researchers to support the development of collaborative, inter-disciplinary and multi-disciplinary projects.

The University hosted its first Healthy Communities Conference in March 2015, designed to foster the interchange of expertise and innovation.

Building on the University's position as a leading provider of football-related research through our Lawrie McMenemy Centre for Football Research, the hub has also forged partnerships with a variety of agencies including the League Managers Association, the Football Association and various professional football clubs.

Recent projects

Recent research projects include:

Confident Carers

Funded by the Innovation and Wealth Creation Accelerator Fund, Confident Carers is a scoping project in collaboration with Southampton University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (UHSFT). It works to develop a local training hub, providing information and peer-support



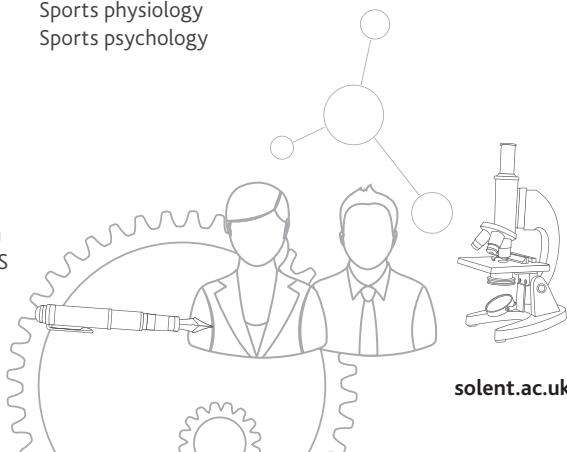
interventions to carers which is accessible and taking into account their responsibilities and needs.

Advanced Clinical Data Visualisation and Analysis System

Solent researchers are involved in a research collaboration with University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust relating to their Southampton Breast Cancer Data System.

Areas of research study

- Exercise science
- Football studies
- Social and economic studies of sports
- Sport and wellbeing
- Sport science
- Sports and fitness training
- Sports biodynamics
- Sports biomechanics
- Sports management
- Sports physiology
- Sports psychology





How to apply

Applications may be submitted at any point during the year.

You can apply to study for an MPhil or PhD at Southampton Solent University in a wide range of research areas. To apply, you will be required to submit the following:

- a completed and signed application form
- two suitable references
- a brief research proposal (approximately 1,000 words)
- evidence of English language proficiency (if applicable)
- qualification transcripts/certificates (scanned copies are suitable, but, if accepted, you will be required to present the originals at registration)
- the photograph ID page of your passport
- an employer guarantee form or confirmation of funding letter, if you are sponsored.

Checkpoint

For your research proposal you will need to include the following:

- the subject you wish to research
- why it is of interest to you
- how you propose to carry out your research
- how your proposed project relates to other work in the field

- how you think your project might contribute to further understanding of your subject.

References: you will need to send the postgraduate research reference form to your two referees for them to complete and return to Graduate Studies in a signed and sealed envelope. Once all your documents are received by Graduate Studies, they will be forwarded to the appropriate Hub Scrutiny Panel who will assess your application based on the following criteria:

- The proposed area of study is capable of leading to scholarly research and to its presentation for assessment at a viva examination.
- There is the appropriate expert supervision and capacity currently available within the University.
- Your qualifications and/or experience are suitable.
- There are appropriate resources in place at the University.
- You can normally expect to hear the outcome of your application within twelve weeks of submitting it.





James Steele, Lecturer in Applied Sport Science

"Southampton Solent University has felt like a home to me for some time now. I originally completed the BSc (Hons) Applied Sport Science degree here, through which I was exposed to a range of different scientific applications of sport and exercise, including those in elite athletic populations all the way through to clinical populations.

It was through this that I first started to take an interest in exercise's application in chronic low back pain. My course leader at the time was currently conducting research in the area of resistance training and chronic low back pain, and I was afforded the opportunity to get involved in his

work. From this I began to discuss other gaps in our current knowledge base in this area and what future research could be conducted. I was strongly encouraged to pursue the ideas and consider arranging them into a PhD proposal.

So after completing my undergraduate degree I moved onto pursuing a larger project examining the role of isolated lumbar extension resistance training in chronic low back pain. The project sought to examine whether this type of exercise offered any additional benefits to those previously known for sufferers of chronic low back pain and also how best to administer the intervention.

The results were novel and I was supported and encouraged to present my work at international conferences, and to publish my work in peer-reviewed journals.

Throughout the course of my PhD studies I gained experience in a wide range of research career-related skills, including research design, practical lab skills, data analysis and interpretation, academic writing and publishing, public speaking, grant application writing and so on.

In addition I was afforded the opportunity to gain lecturing experience, setting me up for a holistic career in academia."

Applied Acoustics

Shape a high-level career in acoustics and sound by developing specialist skills and knowledge on this master's degree.

Course overview

This practical master's degree aims to provide you with the skills and knowledge to work in a range of acoustics fields, including consultancy, engineering, environmental health and the built environment.

Taught by experts from research and industry, you can get hands-on experience and learn to use current measurement, simulation and modelling technology, and study principles such as how humans respond to sound, acoustic physics, and how sound interacts with our environment.

Industry focus

We have excellent links with the Institute of Acoustics (IoA) and the Association of Noise Consultants, as well as a number of companies across the sector, including KP Acoustics, with whom we have a formal partnership for work placement and mentoring. The course has also been designed to meet the requirements for professional IoA registration.

Guest speakers from a range of relevant organisations regularly present seminars and workshops. Previous speakers have included Mark Murphy and Jim Griffiths (Vanguardia Consulting), Nicholas Jones (Hilson Moran) and Phil McIlwain (Westminster City Council).

The University also hosts regular industry events and conferences, giving students access to further expertise and knowledge.

Course content

Core taught modules:

- Principles of Sound and Vibration
- Noise, Vibration and Health
- Computer-Aided Simulation

- Research Methods
- Field and Laboratory Testing

Core project modules:

- Pilot Project
- Project

Three optional modules, from:

- Environmental Noise
- Acoustics in the Built Environment
- Noise and Vibration Control
- Electroacoustics
- Acoustic Materials
- Professional Skills and Practice
- Legislation and Standards

Assessment

The course is assessed through a mixture of coursework, projects, presentations, and practical and written examinations.

Career skills and work experience

The course offers opportunities to build practical work experience and enhance your CV by undertaking placements with professional partners and contacts, as well as through the University's own Solent Acoustics consultancy, which works with music festivals, businesses and public sector organisations.

Past students have worked on a range of projects, including Truck Festival and the Isle of Wight Festival, and with Westminster City Council and KP Acoustics.

Additionally, the Professional Skills and Practice unit involves organising your own work placement with an external company, supported by staff and making use of the course team's industry contacts.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- A bachelor's degree in a related science or technology field – including audio/music technology, physics, engineering, construction/architecture and environmental science
- Alternatively, Chartered Environmental Health Practitioner status or an equivalent qualification, such as the NEBOSH Environmental Diploma
- We also consider candidates with alternative qualifications and related professional experience.

Career opportunities

Acoustics offers an intellectual and practical challenge across a wide range of sectors, from manufacturing or construction to architecture, telecommunications or various engineering industries.

Acousticians could be involved in planning infrastructure projects, making aeroplanes and cars quieter, improving the sound quality of a television or designing new buildings.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Access to current equipment, software and facilities for acoustics measurement and modelling
- Blends expertise in teaching, research and consultancy
- Excellent professional links with a number of different and relevant industry sectors
- Opportunities to build practical experience on projects and through the University's Solent Acoustics consultancy.

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Applied Computing

Learn to extend your business IT and computer skills to a higher level with this hands-on master's degree.

Course overview

This essential applied computing master's degree should be of interest to those with a business IT or computing background and aims to give you the advanced theoretical and practical skills to become an in-demand expert in your chosen field.

As well as building hands-on experience at the frontiers of practice and research in computing and its application, you will have the opportunity to go on and gain CCNP Networking, Agile and software testing accreditation.

You'll develop your critical understanding of the theories, practices and systems used in a range of areas of computing, including business IT, software development, security, web design, computer networking, big data analytics, user experience and mobile technologies.

We also host regular meetings of the British Computer Society (BCS), giving you access to great networking opportunities and the latest professional techniques and practices.

Industry focus

Course content is developed with input from an industrial liaison panel, allowing your studies to include the latest technology and working practice from industry experts.

Course content

Core modules:

- Research Methods
- Professional Issues and Practice
- Pilot Project
- Research Project

Three optional modules from:

- Data Mining and Analytics
- Application Development
- Project Management
- Enterprise Information Security
- Usability and UX Design
- Integrated Management Solutions
- Advanced IP Routing
- Advanced IP Switched Networks.

Assessment

The course is assessed through a mixture of coursework assignments, group work, videos, presentations, a project research paper and a final poster presentation.

Career skills and work experience

The option choices within the course structure provide students with the opportunity for in-depth study at postgraduate level in selected areas of specialisation in computing and business IT, laying the groundwork for a career in management, strategic planning or system development.

You will have the chance to work directly with real-world companies on live briefs, events and projects, while regular BCS meetings hosted at the University are your chance to build professional connections and secure valuable work experience opportunities.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- Honours degree in business IT, computing or a related IT discipline, or extensive industrial experience in this area.

Career opportunities

Suitable roles for graduates include business analyst, project manager, database manager, digital marketer, software developer, web developer, application development, project manager, senior database analyst, senior user experience analyst, software architect, network deployment specialist.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Opportunities for practical experience with real-world clients through Solent Creatives, the University's freelance design agency
- Hands-on experience with current industry-standard software and computer systems
- Access to our specialist usability lab and other industry-standard facilities
- Opportunities for networking through regular BCS meetings, with expert industry speakers
- Available on a flexible learning basis, so you can fit your studies around employment.

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Athletic Development and Peak Performance

Push your knowledge of athletic development to the highest level and take a further step towards a great sport science or coaching career with this master's course.

Course overview

This high-level master's course prepares you for life in the sport industry, delivering hands-on professional skills and an interdisciplinary approach to sport science and coaching.

You can explore talent identification, long-term athlete development, performance analysis, strength and conditioning, peak performance, technical and tactical development, marginal gains and injury prevention and management.

Placements also form part of this course and you will be supported with access to work opportunities within professional sport and exercise organisations, drawing on Solent's diverse partnerships to gain experience alongside leading experts.

Access to our outstanding sport and exercise facilities is available, which includes a British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences (BASES)-accredited physiology laboratory.

Industry focus

This MSc has been designed in partnership with industry experts, equipping you with the skills, experience and knowledge precisely tailored to industry requirements.

Our industry partners can help to arrange excellent placement opportunities, giving you the advantage of real-world experience alongside potential employers.

The course also features a series of guest lecturers, from the highest level of a variety of sports, who will share their advice, knowledge and experience of the industry.

Course content

Core taught modules:

- Technical Development in Sport
- Psycho-Social Development in Sport
- Physical Preparation in Sport and Exercise
- Tactical Development in Sport
- Marginal Gains for Peak Performance
- Individual Project

Assessment

Assessment includes written coursework, viva, presentations, reports and practical tests.

Career skills and work experience

The course aims to develop presentation, project and time management, leadership, communication, IT proficiency and numeracy skills in both the classroom and practical placement opportunities.

Prior to starting the course you will be expected to have a placement organised for the duration of your studies; this can be in more than one organisation if required. The placement should be in a role relevant to the course, such as coach, sport scientist, performance analyst, strength and conditioning coach, exercise physiologist, biomechanist or laboratory technician.

If you have been unable to organise a placement, we will support you in finding a suitable opportunity, potentially with University partner Southampton FC or a range of other top sport organisations. These could include Reed's High Performance Academy, British Swimming, Hampshire Rugby, Crystal Palace FC, London Irish RFC, GB Wheelchair Rugby and more.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:1 or above
- Other applicants who can provide evidence of relevant work experience will be considered.
- Acceptance is also subject to a successful interview.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

This course opens up a whole host of career opportunities in sport and exercise science, across every field imaginable.

Career paths could include:

- helping professional, elite or Olympic athletes to maintain peak performance in world-class competitions
- developing performance programmes for schools/colleges and encouraging the next generation of athletes to excel.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Combines hands-on experience with in-depth master's-level theory, and teaches you how to apply your learning in a professional sporting environment
- Access to leading sport science facilities, including a BASES-accredited physiology lab, as well as fully equipped modern psychology, biomechanics and health/exercise labs
- Opportunities for industry placements at all levels, working with elite athletes, schools or rehabilitation patients.

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Tom Daniel, MSc Athletic Development and Peak Performance graduate

"I chose this MSc course over others because I wanted to be able to effectively apply my knowledge to a professional environment, and, alongside an appropriate placement, the course can certainly deliver. It has a superb balance of both theoretical and practical application of contemporary subjects within

the sports coaching and sports science industries, and ensures an interdisciplinary approach is understood and reinforced by its students. I certainly feel that it has given me the best chance of success in the future."

Creative Advertising

Get ahead and get noticed in the fast-paced world of advertising by developing a portfolio that will showcase your creative talents and impress prospective employers.

Course overview

Are you creative, courageous and experimental? This challenging master's course is ideal for anyone planning a career in the creative side of the advertising industry. You can explore the theories behind advertising and how it has developed, while gaining practical, hands-on experience working on live agency briefs across a wide range of media. You'll be constantly challenged to push the boundaries of your creativity and find innovative solutions to real-world projects. The course encourages interdisciplinary debate, so there are chances to study alongside other students in the University, developing a broad appreciation of media and culture. By the end of your studies, you could have a professional portfolio that showcases your talents.

Industry focus

Our experienced teaching team has strong links with high-profile professional bodies, enabling you to develop useful contacts in the advertising world and to meet key industry figures.

Industry guest lectures, agency visits and careers events will help to boost your insight into the advertising industry and your network of contacts, and leading creative directors will be among those to critique your work, giving you valuable feedback.

We offer support to complete work experience during the course and can help you to find a suitable placement. There will also be the chance to develop your industry connections and freelance portfolio through real-world work for Solent Creatives, our in-house creative agency.

Course content

Core units:

- Creative Strategies
- Creative Portfolio Building
- Cultural Influences on Advertising
- Professional Practice
- Research Methods
- Master's Project (Practice Project or Dissertation)

Assessment

Assessment includes creative portfolios, presentations, reflective portfolios and essays, using industry-standard media production facilities.

Career skills and work experience

You can develop a range of skills, encompassing creative thinking, problem solving, writing and art direction, along with experience in presentation and teamwork.

We encourage you to complete work experience as part of the Professional Practice unit. Through this you can gain real-world experience of working in an agency environment, helping you to plan your future career. You'll also have the chance to develop your industry connections and freelance portfolio through working for Solent Creatives, our in-house creative agency.



I like the variety that the course and the University offers. Although I studied journalism at undergraduate level and now advertising at postgraduate level, I have always felt that the knowledge that I have gained is applicable to a wide range of industries. ”

Marcus Faint, MA Creative Advertising graduate

Course length

1 year full-time

Also available part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher in a related discipline; we will assess your creative ability as part of the selection process.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 in writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

Following this course, you could be well placed for a variety of careers in national or international advertising agencies.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Our talented teaching team has strong links with industry through employer liaison panels, industry bodies and businesses, helping you to make valuable contacts.
- Work alongside photography, film, graphic design, visual arts and fashion students, helping you to develop interdisciplinary skills and boost your creative ideas and collaborations.
- There is the option to join Solent Creatives, with opportunities for freelance assignments to boost your portfolio.

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Caroline Barfoot,
Academic leader, Solent Creatives

"At Solent Creatives we endeavour to match our creative talent with freelance projects for business to help students develop their professional portfolios. Our students have used their skills to work on projects for film production, website design, brand development, event management, social media, marketing and public relations, and

even hair and make-up. Some of our previous clients have included Bear Grylls RIBs, *Shoot* magazine, Marks & Spencer, Southampton Airport, Sodexo UK, and many other national and regional companies.

We are excited to be launching our MA Creative Enterprise course which gives creative students the

opportunity to gain experience working as a freelancer and to learn how to setup and run a small business. From funding to marketing, tax to intellectual property, we aim to help you understand how all businesses work and give you a commercial edge that will help you stand out from the crowd."

Creative Direction for Fashion and Beauty

Lead the way in the development of image and concept for fashion and beauty.

Course overview

This highly specialised fashion and beauty course offers you a unique opportunity to develop a refined cultural understanding of image construction, and to manage creative work from idea to execution.

The course examines the processes and practices found in high-level creative leadership, such as magazines, event production, fashion shows, e-commerce and advertising arenas, and aims to help you develop those essential skills – along with an expert understanding of fashion and beauty image requirements within a context of culture, ethics and sustainability for design.

As you study you will be able to explore multidisciplinary platforms and develop an in-depth understanding of user experience, trend forecasting, research methods, print design, digital design and experience design. You will also have the opportunity to develop your research and critical-thinking skills in preparation for your practical or written master's project.

You'll have access to industry-standard facilities and technical support, including professional-standard photography studios, film studios, make-up studios, cameras and location lighting kits, an 'infinity cove' for fashion shoots, and Mac suites with industry-grade software.

Industry focus

Solent's fashion and beauty programme area has strong links with industry, giving you the chance to work with experienced academics and industry professionals. You can also benefit from a programme of guest lectures throughout the course, with representatives from fashion,

beauty, media, retail and creative industries sharing their experience; past guest speakers have included representatives from Laura Mercier, Illamasqua, Charles Fox, Mac and Trendstop.

Course content

Core units:

- Research Methods
- Technical Image Design
- Concept Development
- Creative Direction
- Professional Practice
- Master's Project

Assessment

The course is assessed through a mix of practical and theoretical projects, written assignments, presentations and portfolio projects.

Career skills and work experience

Creative directors need to read and interpret a complex visual language, offering a unique vision of fashion and beauty for a range of markets and sophisticated consumers.

The Professional Practice unit has been specifically designed to equip you with in-depth knowledge of the industry and give you the insight and understanding you need to deliver great creative work. You will also be supported to produce reflective and relevant professional development plans.

As part of the course you will secure one month's work placement, freelance assignments or relevant work-related experience, strengthening your knowledge of the industry and learning to apply your skills and knowledge in a professional, real-world working environment.

Course Length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher in a related discipline.
- Interview with portfolio.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career Opportunities

This course aims to prepare master's students for roles in creative direction and production for fashion or beauty, with potential employment at a range of industry organisations including fashion/beauty brands, magazines, retail and production companies.

Why Southampton Solent?

- A robust and established academic team with international experience and a strong portfolio of industry contacts
- Emphasis on professional practice, with a dedicated unit of study
- Four weeks of relevant work experience placement/s or freelance assignments as part of the course
- Access to professional-grade creative studios and other facilities.

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Creative Enterprise

Get your career off the ground by putting theory into practice with this innovative master's for creative freelancers and entrepreneurs.

Course overview

Based in Southampton Solent University's own on-site creative agency, Solent Creatives, this course is designed for entrepreneurs and enterprising graduates who are looking to make their mark in the creative industries. If you have ever thought about setting up your own creative enterprise or working as a freelancer, this course could be for you.

You will be able to develop your specific skills within the agency, specialise in your chosen area and develop a portfolio of work relevant to your professional interests.

The course can support portfolio development in film, journalism, photography, advertising, marketing, public relations, graphic design, fashion and the arts.

You will learn to act as a freelancer by becoming one, with opportunities to work on a variety of live projects with professional deadlines and the expectation of taking full responsibility for managing the client, communicating successfully and delivering projects on time and to budget.

As part of the taught elements, you will study the creative economy to understand the impact of the creative industries on the economy and how different sectors of the creative industries operate. A unit on strategic thinking and problem solving will introduce you to a range of methods, and you will be challenged to apply these to a diverse set of problems in order to develop an approach to problem solving.

Industry focus

Solent Creatives has excellent contacts with industry across the creative industries and will use these

to further your career. It has over 800 business contacts including Marks & Spencer, Southampton Airport, Sodexo, Oxfam and the NHS, as well as many small and medium-sized organisations. Past projects have ranged from filming a live event to managing social media content, designing a new brochure to organising a charity fashion show. Solent Creatives is also active in various networking groups including the JCI, Creative Network South and Hampshire Chamber of Commerce.

Course content

Core units:

- Research Methods
- Master's Project Proposal
- Master's Project
- The Creative Economy
- Strategic Thinking and Problem Solving
- Working in the Creative Industries

Assessment

A range of different assessment methods are used on the course to support your learning. These may include portfolios, business plans, reports, reflective logs, essays, case studies and presentations.

Career skills and work experience

Solent Creatives aims to match talented students with local and national freelancing opportunities so that all students enrolled on the course will be matched to at least one opportunity appropriate to their skillset. In addition, Solent Creatives encourages creative business start-ups with a range of support, from mentoring to sophisticated business planning software.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher in a related discipline
- Applicants may also be required to send a portfolio and may be contacted for an interview, either face-to-face or through Skype.
- Alternatively, applicants may be considered based on experience in the creative industries.

Career opportunities

This course will equip you to identify opportunities appropriate to your skillset and aspirations. The enterprise skills that you could develop, such as strategic thinking, resourcefulness, self-confidence and motivation, will equip you to succeed as a freelancer or creative entrepreneur, or to work in any aspect of the creative industries. You will also have developed knowledge of how the creative industries work in order to maximise your potential within this exciting sector.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Based in the University's unique in-house creative agency, this course will give you the chance to work on a range of live projects for clients.
- You will develop enterprise skills and competencies, and will be given the freedom to develop as an entrepreneur.
- The final project will encourage you to explore how you can apply your creative abilities to working as a freelancer or within a creative business, or to setting up a creative enterprise.

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Criminology and Criminal Justice

This advanced criminology course explores the impact of technological advances, globalisation and contemporary pressures on the evolution of criminal justice.

Course overview

On this interdisciplinary course you will gain an understanding of key contemporary issues and debates surrounding criminal justice institutions, crime and punishment.

Topics include how to connect criminological theory with contemporary developments such as globalisation, and examination of the various issues in the international study of criminology.

You will examine how crime, criminal justice policy and practices have developed globally and how this, and cross-jurisdictional approaches to crime, affect criminal justice; and you will explore major international shifts in the justice process and the delivery of punishment.

Develop your knowledge of the theoretical and practical issues involved in research, learn about quantitative and qualitative investigative techniques and the broader epistemological framework, and build awareness of a range of methodologies. There is a focus on research ethics and the application of research to policy and practice, and this will give you the platform to undertake your own dissertation or project in a chosen area.

Industry focus

We welcome regular guest lecturers who provide insight into working in the criminal justice sector and prospective career opportunities.

Previous speakers have included serving and former police detectives in the Metropolitan and Hampshire Police, serving chief officers from Hampshire, Thames Valley and Dorset Police, judges and magistrates, and staff from the National Crime Agency, the National Police Chiefs' Council,

the National Offender Management Service and the Crown Prosecution Service.

Course content

Core units:

- Contemporary and Comparative Criminology
- Contemporary and Comparative Criminal Justice
- Project Design and Professional Development
- Methods of Inquiry in the Human Sciences
- Master's Project/Dissertation

Two options (subject to demand) from the following:

- Contemporary Penology
- Comparative Legal Systems
- Comparative International Policing
- Political Violence, Terrorism and Security
- Researching Historic and 'True Crime'
- Drugs, Crime and Justice

Assessment

Assessment is through assignments, individual/group presentations, examination and a dissertation.

Key career skills

This course aims to give you an understanding of criminological issues, which can be applied to many different careers. You can develop research and critical analysis skills and gain experience in communication, teamwork and leadership.

Past students have completed a range of placements with the Association of Chief Police Officers Criminal Records Office, the criminal justice sector (paid work), witness and victim services, probation services, youth offending teams and voluntary positions in the criminal justice field.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher in an area related to criminology, and/or an equivalent professional qualification
- Other qualifications/experience will be considered if you can also demonstrate graduate-equivalent knowledge, abilities and skills.
- You must be able to demonstrate that you are capable of undertaking research.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 in writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

With this internationally respected qualification, you'll be well placed to pursue a variety of career opportunities.

Past graduates have followed careers in higher police management, international law enforcement, the National Offender Management Service, financial security and academia.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Experienced tutors with varied professional backgrounds in the criminal justice sector
- Teaching staff who are internationally renowned for their research
- Strong links with local, national and international criminal justice agencies, with regular guest lecturers from industry
- Study trips to relevant locations to complement theoretical learning
- Practical skills which are developed to enhance your employability.

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Adrian Kingswell, MSc Criminology and Criminal Justice graduate, Chief Inspector – Head of Learning and Development, Hampshire Constabulary

"One of the striking elements for me personally, as a former student of this programme, was how the lecturers prompted and encouraged me to critically analyse historically relevant elements of my police career. I can remember policing through the public disorders of the 1980s, particularly the New Age Traveller phenomenon.

What I gained through the MSc was understanding the 'why'. I started to question why I did what I did as a police officer back then, the difference being that this was now within a far broader, richly informed and deeper context."

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Fashion Merchandise Management

On this industry-focused MA course, build a portfolio of skills that could help you take that next step towards an exciting career in fashion merchandise management in the UK or internationally.

Course overview

Working with experienced academics and industry professionals, you will examine pioneering approaches to fashion merchandise management and learn about merchandising practices, retail space design, buying, consumer behaviour, marketing and research methods. Units on this course allow you to explore the theory of fashion buying and merchandising and its application to retailing procedures, and to delve into the psychological and cultural factors that influence consumer shopping habits and behaviours. You will also learn about technological innovations and their application within the increasingly competitive retail sector, examining them in relation to social, cultural, environmental and ethical considerations.

You will study the importance of retail design and visual merchandising, in-store branding and customer involvement with the product through the retail store. You will also consider how display techniques can enhance sales opportunities, the customer experience and brand loyalty.

You will build a detailed understanding of the responsibilities involved in running a fashion business and explore current debates, emerging areas of research and professional practice within fashion.

You will focus on the principles of academic research, creating an engaging final project or dissertation that enables you to showcase the knowledge and skills developed on the course and reflects your career aspirations.

Industry focus

Industry professionals share their knowledge and experiences

with students through guest presentations, lectures, one-to-one tutorials and portfolio-viewing workshops.

Retailing company B&Q is currently involved in teaching the unit 'Retail Futures: Innovation and Enterprise', whilst in previous years partners have included MRA Architecture and Interior Design and IBM.

Course content

Core units:

- Professional Practice
- Retail Space Analysis and Design
- Retail Futures: Innovation and Enterprise
- Research Methods
- Buying and Merchandising
- Master's Project

Assessment

Assessment is through projects, reports and presentations.

Career skills and work experience

During the course you can develop your research, writing and critical-thinking skills, and gain experience in presentation, networking and teamwork, as well as develop a professional development plan.

Support is provided to help you find relevant work experience through our close industry links. Former students have completed placements including:

- trend reporting for WGSN
- merchandising at the Hobbs head office
- marketing at Harvey Nichols
- collaborative projects with MRA Architecture and Interior Design
- visual communication at Calvin Klein
- retail designer at Re:So, Southampton
- buyer at John Lewis.

Course length

1 year full-time

Also available part-time and with flexible options

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher in a fashion or related discipline, such as art, business or marketing
- Alternatively, industry experience in one or more areas of the fashion industry, including retail, management, design or a related field
- A good understanding of fashion, fashion retail and/or related industries; an interview is normally part of the selection process
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

Following this course, you will be well prepared for a career in fashion merchandise management or the broader fashion industry.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Close links across the global fashion industries: we arrange regular guest lectures, industry workshops and external visits.
- Alongside highly experienced teaching staff, our guest lecturers include high-profile academics and internationally acclaimed figures within the fashion and creative industries; recent speakers have included Caryn Franklin, Perry Curties, Iain R Webb, Wayne Johns, Bruce Smith and Ellen Rogers.
- Dedicated fashion and design studios and workshops
- Work closely with industry partners addressing innovative aspects of the retail sector.

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Film Production

On this dynamic course you will gain practical experience of film-making and production, with the chance to tailor your work to your interests and career aspirations.

Course overview

This exciting course focuses on independent film-making and current practices in the film industry. You will experiment with creative ideas from the outset and develop a personal signature in film-making. You will gain a professional understanding of fiction film-making as well as find your own unique voice in documentary production, with the chance to explore new ideas and collaborate with other postgraduate students.

You will experiment and develop your own approach to cinematography, directing and editing to progress as an independent film-maker while learning how to produce effective fiction. In addition you will explore the value of politicised documentaries from film-makers such as Errol Morris, Nick Broomfield and the Maysles Brothers, as you evaluate your own point of view as a factual film-maker.

Make the most of the University's industry-standard facilities, training and resources to equip you with the knowledge, confidence and employable skills needed in film production.

You will explore research methods and techniques that are used in the media industries and develop career-based skills in order to build up a strong portfolio of work alongside a plan for the future.

You will design, produce and present a film made to your own high standards, using the skills and knowledge learnt throughout the course, giving you a portfolio that demonstrates relevant practical skills in film-making and research to potential employers.

Solent film students have gone on to win a range of awards, and with passion, commitment and the

support of your tutors, you have the potential to create your own distinctive and high-quality films.

Industry focus

We have well-established industry links with ITV, the BBC, Talent TV, Glastonbury and Creamfields, giving our students access to industry professionals and the contemporary screen industries.

You can also capitalise on a series of events we host during our annual film festival, Southampton Film Week, which gives students the chance to meet and network with other industry professionals.

Course content

Core units:

- Finding Fiction
- The Politics of Non-Fiction Film
- Advanced Film-Making
- Professional Practice
- Research Methods
- Master's Project

Assessment

Assessment is through practical production projects, group and individual research, pitches and portfolio work.

Career skills and work experience

This course aims to develop a portfolio of skills, encompassing research, creative thinking and problem solving, along with experience in teamwork and working individually.

You will be offered the chance to gain work experience and freelance opportunities through the University's own production houses, Solent Productions and Solent Creatives, which work with a wide variety of clients and media organisations.

Course length

1 year full-time

Also available part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher in a relevant discipline
- A portfolio (demonstrating relevant skills) may be required for some students with lower degree classifications or a degree in a non-related discipline.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 in writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

Our graduates pursue a wide range of careers in areas such as film production, publishing, journalism, marketing and teaching.

Previous students have developed working relationships with a range of guest speakers who provide industry support, mentoring and career advice. Speakers have included directors Michael Apted and Alan Parker, producer Nik Powell (*The Crying Game*), cinematographer Brian Tufano (*Trainspotting*) and editors Alex Mackie (*CSI* and *Downton Abbey*), David Gamble (*Shakespeare in Love*) and Mick Audsley (*Alien*, *Blade Runner*, *Everest*).

Why Southampton Solent?

- Experienced staff who have worked in all areas of the film industry, so you'll benefit from their wide-ranging knowledge and industry experience.
- You'll gain practical experience in our production houses as well as taking part in film events and study trips.
- You'll hear from high-profile guest speakers from the film industry who will inspire and inform your work.

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Dr Mark Aldridge,
Course leader, MA Film Production,
School of Media Arts and Technology

"Our MA Film Production enables you to hone your professional and personal film-making skills to a high standard. It is designed to ensure that students are able to express themselves creatively while gaining advanced film-making skills and building a portfolio of work and experience that is highly relevant for the film industry."



Human Resource Management

The MA HRM offers an in-depth understanding of human resource (HR) management combined with a broader understanding of the organisational and management context.

Course overview

On this course, which is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD), you can gain the practical experience and theoretical knowledge needed to advance your career in this area.

Within the core units you will: explore how people development can contribute to the enhanced performance of individuals, teams and organisations; broaden your understanding of the internal and external factors that affect organisations; critically assess how people are managed and developed in contemporary organisations; develop and improve key skills for successful management practice and effective leadership; look at the role of resourcing and talent management in supporting strategic objectives in national and international contexts; and gain an understanding of employment relations.

Through a work placement, there is the opportunity to investigate a live, complex business issue from an HR perspective.

For CIPD membership, you must complete a management research report, facilitated by a work placement or live brief (industry project).

Industry focus

This course has been developed alongside industry professionals. Several organisations support and mentor work placements and live briefs, enabling students to develop work-based knowledge and experience.

Course content

Core units:

- Learning and Development
- Human Resource Management in Context

- Leading, Managing and Developing People
- Professional Development 1 – Developing Skills for Business Leadership
- Resourcing and Talent Management
- Managing Employment Relations
- Professional Development 2 – Investigating a Business Issue
- Research Methods and Dissertation

Optional units (these may vary from year to year):

- Employment Law
- Understanding and Implementing Coaching and Mentoring

Applications for exemptions from any course unit, except the dissertation, will be considered up to 60 credits.

Assessment

Assessment methods vary across units and include written assignments, case studies, group presentations and exams.

Career skills and work experience

You will be supported to develop a range of transferable skills encompassing communication, presentation, research and analysis, teamwork (particularly cross-cultural), training, networking, coaching and mentoring.

The course includes a six-week work placement. You will also work on live projects for companies and produce a research project for your CIPD accreditation.

Past students have completed placements and projects with the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, the NHS, Sainsbury's, the University of Winchester and many other organisations.

Course length

1 year full-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher; equivalent qualifications/professional management experience will be considered.
- Previous work experience is not required if you meet the entry requirements; students are selected on the basis of their outlook, potential and willingness to contribute to the course.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing and a minimum of 5.5 in reading, listening and speaking), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

Human resource management is an interesting, challenging and stimulating profession. Following graduation, a wide variety of rewarding career opportunities are available. Some examples include: HR/recruitment consultant, HR business partner, general HRM or personnel manager. Advisory position within: employment law, employee relations, diversity and equal opportunities, recruitment, talent and resourcing, training, learning and development, and general management.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Gain a master's qualification and membership of the CIPD.
- A six-week work placement is an integral part of the course and enables application of real-world learning.
- Very supportive learning environment taught by highly qualified professionals, with industry experience and a valuable research record.

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International Accounting and Finance

This globally focused course combines academic theory with practical applications, delivering an understanding of accounting's impact on business performance.

Course overview

This master's course is designed for students who wish to pursue a career in accountancy or corporate finance.

Combining academic theory and practical learning, the course helps you to build an understanding of the importance and international impact of accounting information on business performance, stock markets and corporate finance.

You will look at the role of accounting and finance in the strategic development of organisations through real-world examples and case studies, and cover contemporary global issues in accounting and finance.

The final project allows you to carry out more in-depth study in an area of your choice and develop critical skills to enhance your employability.

The course has been specifically designed to lead on to further professional qualifications.

Industry focus

The majority of the course team have professional qualifications and industry experience, in addition to academic and teaching qualifications.

The team runs two employability weeks for students interested in careers in accounting and finance, with visiting speakers from many organisations.

Students are encouraged to enter a wide range of business competitions and challenges, and attend industry events.

Course content

Core units:

- Academic Skills for Accounting, Finance and Economics
- Audit and Assurance
- Corporate Financial Reporting
- Risk, Governance and Ethics
- Strategic Financial Management
- Financial Aspects of Decisions (Strategic Management Accounting)
- Project

Optional units

(one of the following options):

- Current Issues in International Accounting and Finance
- Finance in Context
- Financial Risk Management
- Taxation

Assessment

The course is assessed through individual coursework, portfolios, presentations, exams and the final project.

Career skills

In-class activities and assessments, particularly the real-world project, will help you to develop business awareness and skills in critical thinking, problem solving, teamwork and communication. You will use the University's Bloomberg Financial Markets Lab which provides access to the same data and technology relied upon by financial professionals worldwide.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 in a related subject – accountancy or business (with substantial accounting and finance units studied)
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.5 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

This master's course will equip you with all the skills needed for a career in accountancy or corporate finance.

Why Southampton Solent?

- A focus on employability and the aim to equip you with practical, work-based skills; the course provides an excellent foundation for professional qualifications
- An emphasis on practical experience, with the application of learning to real-world examples and case studies
- An experienced teaching team, with lecturers with both professional qualifications and industry experience, in addition to academic and teaching qualifications
- The accountancy, finance and economics subject group has significant experience of delivering postgraduate, professional accountancy and finance units on courses such as the MBA and the ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants).

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International Business Management

This international master's course enables you to advance your business and management skills, and aims to give you the skills you need to achieve career success in the international marketplace.

Course overview

On this course, you will gain all the academic and professional skills required for a successful career in international business. The course offers flexible study options to suit your requirements. It is recognised by the Chartered Management Institute (CMI) and you can gain student membership during your studies. If already in employment, you will develop your skills and experience through work-based learning.

The course has a thematic approach to reflect the real-world practice of management and covers three main themes of personal management development, applied contemporary international management theory and management research across seven core units.

These core units will: support you in articulating your individual continuing professional development and exploring skills leadership support for the contemporary organisation; equip you with the theory and practice required to succeed as a manager in the international arena; look at application and transfer of behavioural science knowledge and practice; and examine some of the most important contemporary business issues and practices faced by international organisations – all with the aim to prepare you for the challenges you may face in a decision-making role in your career.

You will also develop the skills of enquiry and management research required primarily for your major project, but also for all of the MSc programme units.

The course also offers the opportunity to undertake a placement resulting in a work-based project, or to progress with a

management or 'live' consultancy report with an international focus.

Industry focus

Where appropriate, you will have opportunities to apply course learning to your own or other organisations. This could involve case studies and live briefs (working on a real project with an industry client).

Course content

Core units:

- Continuing Professional and Personal Development
- Business Skills for Leadership
- International Management in Context
- Organisational Development
- International Business Issues and Practice
- Management Research Methods
- International Management/Work-Based/Consultancy Project

Assessment

Assessment is through individual coursework, including portfolios, written work, presentations and a final project.

Career skills and work experience

The course aims to help you develop a range of transferable skills, encompassing group working, presentation, research and analysis, working to deadlines and applying knowledge to real-world scenarios.

On the course you will have an opportunity to complete a placement, which may form the basis of your final project report. You can also choose to write about an organisation with which you are familiar, or your own workplace.

For international students, this course provides a great opportunity to gain experience in UK industry.

Course length

- 1 year full-time
- 2 years part-time (1 full day per week)
- 3 years part-time (classroom and distance learning mix)

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher, or an equivalent professional qualification and/or evidence of managerial experience
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

On completing this course, you will be well placed to take your management career to the next level within your current organisation or elsewhere.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Lecturers on the course have vast business management expertise across a variety of industries, which helps you gain a broad range of knowledge and practical skills in core subject areas.
- Lecturers can provide formative feedback (informal feedback on your progress) to ensure you can adapt your learning to meet best practice.
- If you're in full-time employment but are looking to boost your career prospects, our part-time course is designed to fit around your working life, and you will have regular class sessions and frequent tutor contact.

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International Maritime Business

This master's course equips you with the advanced knowledge and skills for a successful career in the business of shipping operations and management.

Course overview

On this stimulating and intellectually challenging course you can gain the skills and knowledge to operate successfully within the maritime industry. The course has a strong business focus and explores the complex factors involved in the management of ships and shipping operations worldwide. You will reflect on the key aspects of maritime law, operations and risk management techniques and look at the impact of international trade on management strategies in the industry. Our campus is situated in Southampton city centre and within close proximity of one of the busiest and most important cargo and passenger ports in the UK.

Industry focus

Taught by a highly skilled team with wide-ranging experience in the maritime industry, the course has been designed in conjunction with key maritime industry organisations to enable you to graduate with the necessary knowledge and work-based skills that will enhance your career prospects.

Course content

You will study seven units as well as a project.

Core units:

- Maritime Management
- International Maritime Law
- Research Methods and Proposal
- International Trade and Commercial Law
- Finance and Business Risk
- Maritime Operations and Transport
- Project Management Methodology
- Project

Project:

Maritime professionals need to be skilled problem solvers to lead changes in policy or practice. You can develop these skills by identifying, planning and implementing research in your chosen area, and analysing and communicating the findings.

Assessment

Assessment is through a mix of individual and group presentations and a negotiation exercise. The exact mix depends on the unit. You will also complete a 12,000-word research dissertation.

Career skills and work experience

Throughout the course you can develop a range of transferable employability skills, including critical thinking, problem solving, negotiating, teamwork and presenting.

Opportunities are available to visit external organisations and facilities to see the practical application of your learning. These include the ports of Southampton, Antwerp and Rotterdam, the International Maritime Organization and the Baltic Exchange. Some visits will incur additional costs that are not covered by course fees.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree in a relevant subject with a minimum 2:2 classification
- A professional qualification with equivalent standing, such as a UK Class 1 Master Mariner or Chief Engineer certificate of competence, together with relevant professional experience, or a non-UK equivalent
- Other qualifications may also be considered.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.
- Part-time study is not available for overseas students requiring a student visa.

Career opportunities

With a rich blend of theoretical knowledge and practical skills, our graduates are well equipped for careers in ship management or port operations/management, either in the UK or internationally.

Why Southampton Solent?

- This course is validated by the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers and will provide exemptions from some of the institute's professional examinations.
- The course is also validated by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport.
- You will benefit from Southampton's position as a major centre in the UK and European shipping sector.
- We have strong links with industry in a range of maritime and logistics sectors.

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International Maritime Management

Combine the latest business and management techniques with maritime sector expertise, and enhance your professional development and career opportunities.

Course overview

This course aims to develop knowledge of the shipping business, focusing on its management practices, operations and the international markets driving this industry.

Combining the classic elements of a traditional MBA with elements that are unique to the world of shipping and maritime business, you'll study the multi-faceted maritime industry and explore the global business environment. You can also develop understanding of the complex interactions between sector stakeholders like shipping companies, port authorities, businesses and governments.

Business units will help you develop knowledge of successful management practice, examine advanced strategic concepts, consider the issues of international marketing and learn scalable project management methodologies.

Maritime units will look at global supply chain and logistics management, helping you understand the principles of international trade, look at investment risk and finance, and gain a comprehensive knowledge of maritime policy and law.

You will also be able to undertake a major research project into a specific area of maritime business.

Industry focus

Our programmes have excellent links with the industry, which you can take advantage of through seminars, site visits, open lectures and professional networking opportunities.

Taught by highly skilled academics with wide-ranging experience of both international business and the

maritime industry, this course is designed to help you become one of the maritime industry's leaders of the future.

Course content

Core units:

- Human Resource Management and Leadership Development
- Research and Project Proposal
- Operations and Supply Chain Management
- Infrastructure Project Planning and Development
- Information and Data Management
- Corporate Strategy and Change Management
- International Marketing
- Economics of International Trade and Shipping
- Investment Risk and Finance in Shipping
- Maritime Policy and Law
- Independent Maritime Business Research Project

Assessment

The course's taught content is delivered through a combination of workshops, seminars, case problem-solving sessions, group projects and work-based assignments. You will also have the opportunity to work with sector organisations in developing solutions to real business problems.

Career skills and work experience

As well as demonstrating your commitment, this master's-level course places an emphasis on real-world learning. You will be encouraged to participate in optional activities such as attending research seminars and open lectures, and undertaking visits to industry-related sites.

Course length

- 1 year full-time
- 2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:1 or overseas equivalent, or a good recognised professional qualification
- A minimum of four years' management experience, a significant proportion of which should be in the maritime sector
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

If you are a junior manager and have some experience of the maritime and shipping industry, this master's course aims to develop and enhance your skills and knowledge, giving you the high-level understanding and experience you need in order to work towards becoming a future leader in the industry.

Why Southampton Solent?

- An international team of academics who have experience in both international business and the maritime industry
- Strong professional connections, allowing use of real-life scenarios and case studies to ground your learning experience firmly in the maritime context
- Emphasis on real-world learning, with a programme that includes guest speakers, school research seminars, an open lecture series and opportunities to engage with industry experts during maritime week
- Optional visits to the Port of Southampton and other maritime organisations.

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International Shipping and Logistics

Gain an advanced qualification in shipping and logistics while developing your professional skills and knowledge in the dynamic world of maritime business.

Course overview

Shipping managers in the current marketplace need to understand all aspects of international supply chain management. As the shipping industry evolves towards an integrated, multimodal, door-to-door logistics approach, such knowledge becomes increasingly important.

This intellectually challenging course aims to equip you with the skills and knowledge you'll need to operate successfully within this dynamic industry. The units studied during the course enable you to gain a detailed understanding of the operations and strategies of shipping as a single transport mode within the context of international multimodal logistics.

Industry focus

Taught by a highly skilled team with wide-ranging experience in the maritime industry, the course has been designed in conjunction with industry professionals to give you the opportunity to gain the cutting-edge skills for career success. You can also benefit from our excellent facilities in and around Southampton.

Course content

This course has seven units and a project.

Core units:

- Maritime Management
- International Maritime Law
- Research Methods and Proposal
- Supply Chain Management
- Operational Risk Management
- Maritime Operations and Transport
- Project Management Methodology
- Project

Project:

Maritime professionals need to be skilled in identifying and analysing

problems to lead changes in policy or practices. This project enables you to develop these skills by identifying, planning and implementing research in your chosen area, and analysing and communicating the findings.

Assessment

The course is taught by a mix of lectures, seminars, negotiation exercises and problem-based learning. There is also a strong emphasis on research, and you'll complete a dissertation under supervision.

Assessment is through a mix of written assessments, individual and group presentations and a negotiation exercise. The exact mix depends on the unit. You will also complete a 12,000-word research dissertation.

Career skills and work experience

Throughout the course you can develop a range of transferable employability skills, including critical thinking, problem solving, negotiating, teamwork and presenting.

Opportunities are available to visit external organisations and facilities to see the practical application of your learning. These include the ports of Southampton, Antwerp and Rotterdam, the International Maritime Organization and the Baltic Exchange. Some of these are funded outside of the course fees.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree in a relevant subject with a minimum 2:2 classification
- A professional qualification with equivalent standing, such as a UK Class 1 Master Mariner or Chief Engineer certificate of competence, together with relevant professional experience, or a non-UK equivalent
- Other qualifications may also be considered.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.
- Part-time study is not available for overseas students requiring a student visa.

Career opportunities

With a mix of theoretical and practical skills, our graduates are equipped for careers in maritime business, logistics and/or supply chain management, either in the UK or internationally.

Why Southampton Solent?

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- The master's course will provide exemptions from some of the institute's professional examinations.
- The course is also validated by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport.
- You will benefit from Southampton's position as a major centre in the UK and European shipping sector.
- We have strong links with industry in a range of maritime and logistics sectors.

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International Trade Regulation

This specialised course provides skills and knowledge that are particularly sought-after in both the legal profession and wider legal practice, with a focus on international trade and business.

Course overview

Focusing on international legal business structures, this master's course aims to provide in-depth understanding of international business agreements and dispute-resolution mechanisms.

Contemporary topics studied include the functioning and types of business organisations typical across the world and their legal regulation, mechanisms of obtaining redress in international commercial disputes, issues relating to the protection of creative endeavour in the digital environment and the specifics of international trade.

Delving into these subjects will teach you about corporate social responsibility, the Law of Corporations, shareholder rights and the duties of directors, what is traditionally called 'private international law' or 'conflict of laws' leading to arbitration and arbitration agreements, intellectual property rights, domain names, licensing, digital rights management and encryption, data protection and information privacy.

You will also cover standard trade terms, major international trade conventions, the sale, transport and regulation of goods, customs regulations, services and capital in the EU and beyond, e-commerce, electronic contracts and computer crime.

Practice-based case studies give you the chance to apply your newly acquired skills in the real world. A work-based project also provides first-hand experience of the field of international trade. This could see you working with employers such as Medicom Healthcare, Lawdit Solicitors or many other organisations.

Industry focus

The course has been developed in conjunction with a wide range of legal professionals, including solicitors, barristers, company secretaries, legal consultants and compliance officers.

We maintain close links with industry and run a programme of professional guest lectures, with past speakers including commercial solicitors, managing partners, police officers, trading standards officers, barristers and members of the judiciary.

Course content

Core units:

- Law and Regulation of International Business Organisations
- International Commercial Enforcement and Dispute Resolution
- Creativity and Regulation in the Global Digital Environment
- The International Market in Goods and Services
- Work-Based Project

Assessment

The course is assessed through coursework, plus a work-based project that accounts for a third of your final mark.

Career skills and work experience

This course aims to provide you with research and planning skills, due diligence, skills in presenting written and oral material, as well as the ability to work independently and in groups.

The University has a wide range of contacts with employers within the sector and you will be supported in finding a suitable placement. If you are already in employment and studying with us part-time, you may undertake the placement with your existing employer.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher in law or a subject that includes a substantial law component; alternatively, an equivalent professional qualification and/or evidence of law-related experience will be considered.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

Within the legal profession, a postgraduate specialisation on top of your law degree could offer a significant career advantage. This course offers the opportunity to gain specialised skills and knowledge that can enhance your suitability for roles in business, public sector or governmental organisations.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Taught by highly experienced lecturers with practical professional experience
- Excellent ties with local and international employers
- A focus on contemporary issues and industry skills
- Opportunities to build hands-on experience through your work-based project
- A programme of guest speakers from the legal professions.

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Management

Combining theory and practice, this master's course enables the development of management skills and the completion of an industry placement to broaden your career prospects.

Course overview

This master's qualification can help you gain the academic and professional skills and recognition required for a successful career in management.

The course has a thematic approach to reflect the real-world practice of management and covers three main themes of personal management development, applied contemporary international management theory and management research across seven core units.

The core units will: support you in articulating your individual continuing professional development and exploring skills leadership support for the contemporary organisation; equip you with the theory and practice required to succeed as a manager in the international arena; look at application and transfer of behavioural science knowledge and practice; and examine some of the most important contemporary business issues and practices faced by international organisations – all with the aim to prepare you for the challenges you may face in a decision-making role in your career.

The course offers flexible study options to suit your requirements. It is recognised by the Chartered Management Institute (CMI) and you can gain student membership during your studies.

All students benefit from our links with industry, including a work placement opportunity.

If already in employment, you can develop your skills and experience through work-based learning.

You will also develop the skills of enquiry and management research required for your major project, and for all of the MSc programme units.

The course also offers the opportunity to undertake a placement resulting in a work-based project, or to progress with a management or 'live' consultancy report with an international focus.

Industry focus

Where appropriate, this course offers opportunities to apply learning to your own or other organisations. This may include using case studies and working on a real industry project with a client.

Course content

Core units:

- Continuing Professional and Personal Development (CPD)
- Business Skills for Leadership
- Management in Context
- Organisational Development
- Business Issues and Practice
- Management Research Methods
- Management/Work-Based/ Consultancy Project

Assessment

Assessment is through individual coursework, which may include portfolios, written work, presentations and a final project.

Career skills and work experience

This course can help you develop a range of transferable skills, including group working, presentation, research and analysis, working to deadlines and applying knowledge to real-world scenarios.

There is the opportunity to complete a work placement, which may form the basis of your final project report. You can also choose to write about an organisation with which you are familiar or your own workplace.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time (day release)

3 years part-time (classroom and distance learning mix)

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher; alternatively, an equivalent professional qualification and/or evidence of managerial experience will be considered.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

On completing the course, you will be well placed to take your management career to the next level within your current organisation or elsewhere.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Tutors on the course have vast business management expertise across a variety of industries, which ensures that you gain practical skills and understanding in core subject areas.
- Lectures can provide formative feedback (informal feedback on your progress) to allow you to adapt your learning to meet best practice.
- If you are in full-time employment but are looking to boost your career prospects, our part-time option is designed to fit around your working life whilst still benefitting from regular class sessions and tutor contact.

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Georgi Ivanov, MA Marketing Management student

"I think there are many great things about the University, such as the opportunity it provides for international students, the friendly atmosphere, the new and relaxed fashion of teaching, the open door policy when seeing your lecturers (which the majority of them strictly follow), and lastly the great resources."

Marketing Management

Gain strategic insights, skills and knowledge on this high-level management master's, helping you forge your path towards a dynamic career in marketing.

Course overview

This course aims to develop in-depth and practical knowledge of a range of marketing topics from strategic, international and ethical perspectives.

Units cover topics including the significance of communication in the marketing management environment, the development of existing and emerging marketing strategies, incorporating new technologies and globalisation, and theories of relationship marketing.

You will learn about applying marketing research concepts in a variety of contexts, and you will research and write a dissertation.

Client-focused projects are a key part of the learning experience. The course offers a business simulation exercise, which takes place in teams over an extended weekend.

Industry focus

We have strong links with industry, and the course offers a variety of networking opportunities. We welcome guest speakers and visiting fellows from industry and commerce. The course offers opportunities to work on live projects.

For the marketing consultancy project, past students have completed research for Symantec, Southampton City Council, the Nuffield Theatre, Cunard, Microsoft and Morgan Motor Company.

We offer support to complete work experience during the course and can help you to find a suitable placement. There will also be the chance to develop your industry connections and freelance portfolio through real-world work for Solent Creatives, our in-house creative agency.

Course content

The course offers a choice of two pathways – digital marketing and marketing management.

Core units:

- Integrated Marketing Communications Management
- Contemporary Strategic Marketing Management
- Marketing Research and Information Management
- Marketing Consultancy Project
- Masters Research Methods and Dissertation

Plus either:

Digital marketing:

- Digital Studio (double credit unit)

Marketing management:

- Contemporary Issues in Marketing
- Services and Relationship Marketing Management

Optional units:

- The Principles of Marketing*
- International Marketing Management
- E-Marketing Management (recommended for the Digital Marketing Pathway)
- Global Retail Marketing Management
- Entrepreneurial Marketing Management

* Students who have not studied marketing before at a satisfactory level will be required to take The Principles of Marketing unit as a mandatory option.

Assessment

Assessment is through individual and group work. There are no examinations.

Career skills and work experience

Develop skills and knowledge in areas including business and client communications, market research, marketing planning, presentation, project management, teamwork and marketing strategy.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher, or an equivalent qualification/ five years relevant professional experience in marketing; Intermediate/Professional Diploma CIM qualifications and relevant MBA or MA business qualifications also qualify for exemption.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.
- Part-time study is not available for overseas students requiring a student visa.

Career opportunities

Our graduates are well placed to pursue careers in a variety of areas, including strategic management, digital and social media marketing, marketing communications and PR, product management and marketing research.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Graduates qualify for membership of the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM); for existing members, the MA course may contribute towards chartered marketer status.
- An emphasis on employability and our close links with industry will equip you with a broad range of academic and commercial skills/ experience.
- Flexible study options are available.
- Opportunities to gain PRINCE2 and Google Analytics qualifications; you will also have the option to learn a language (all at an additional cost).
- The Marketing Network Group holds events during the year, either at the University or hosted by local organisations.

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Master of Business Administration

This course equips aspiring managers and business leaders with the knowledge and skills required to achieve career success in a fast-changing, competitive world.

Course overview

Whether you want to progress in a senior management role or become a successful entrepreneur, our MBA aims to equip you with the skills to fulfil your potential.

The MBA course builds on the four pillars of management: marketing, operations, HR management and finance.

Throughout the course, you will learn how to apply knowledge in a global business context, exploring a range of subjects through specialist options and a project. You will also complete a dissertation, and a management or consultancy project tailored to your career aspirations is also part of the course.

Our teaching staff have extensive industry experience, and some still work in the field. They bring real-life examples into the classroom to help you put theory into context, so that you can learn about the latest professional practices.

Industry focus

We have extensive links with industry and employers, which we use to invite guest lecturers and to create live briefs so you can work on real-world projects. In the past couple of years, students have helped an entrepreneur to commercialise an invention, developed a marketing plan for a business and worked with an events company on organisational change.

Course content

Our MBA covers key areas of study for a successful career in business.

Core units:

- Financial Decision Making in Business
- Managerial Economics
- Contemporary Organisational Behaviour

- Enhanced Leadership
- The Principles of Marketing
- Leadership for Innovation and Change
- Contemporary Operations Management
- Strategic Management
- Project and Research Skills

Optional units (these may vary from year to year):

- Enterprise and Entrepreneurship
- Global Financial Markets
- Financial Strategies
- Entrepreneurial Marketing Management

Assessment

Assessment methods vary and include presentations, written assignments, role play, a business simulation exercise and live briefs.

Career skills and work experience

The course aims to develop your critical analysis and business-planning skills, as well as supporting you to gain experience in presentation, time management and planning your professional development.

This course is aimed at students who are studying alongside their job, so there is no work experience option. We support entrepreneurship for students looking to start their own business.



This University has given me a lot and the MBA course is very demanding – helping me improve the skills I need to manage my company. This is the best experience I've ever had in education. ”

Syed Mohiuddin, MBA graduate

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Course start dates in September, November, January and April

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher or an equivalent recognised degree/professional qualification will be considered.
- Additionally, you must have two years of relevant postgraduate work experience (with devolved decision-making and management skills).
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 in writing), or equivalent.
- Part-time study is not available for overseas students requiring a student visa.

Career opportunities

Our MBA programme offers excellent prospects if you are looking to become an entrepreneur or to progress your career at senior management level.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Solent has close links with industry professionals and employers which provide opportunities to develop professional connections and secure valuable work experience and employment.
- Academic learning is put into a practical context through real-life case studies and work on live projects with clients; this provides a realistic insight into corporate thinking, analysis and decision making.
- The Solent MBA has start dates throughout the year, with a variety of part-time and flexible study options to fit around your work commitments.

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Personnel and Development

This higher-level course enables you to build on your professional experience, advance your HR skills and broaden your career prospects.

Course overview

This course aims to help you develop the skills needed to be an effective manager of people in changing employment conditions. It provides the ideal route to advance your management career and broaden your managerial skills and core personnel and development competencies.

Industry focus

Our tutors have wide-ranging industry experience across the business and not-for-profit sectors, which informs teaching and learning throughout the course.

We invite our graduates to return and talk about their study experience and research, which proves invaluable for current students.

Course content

Year 1 – Postgraduate Certificate in Personnel and Development (PgC)

You will study three core units – Leading, Managing and Developing People, Human Resource Management in Context and Professional Development Part 1- Developing Skills for Business Leadership, and one optional unit, which may vary from year to year, and will be drawn from Employment Law, Managing Employment Relations, Resourcing and Talent Management, Employee Engagement, Understanding and Implementing Coaching and Mentoring, Reward Management and Leadership and Management Development, Organisation design and organisation development, Performance Management and Learning and Development.

Year two – Postgraduate Diploma in Personnel and Development (PgD).

You will study one core unit –

Professional Development Part 2 -Investigating a business issue, and 3 optional units, which may vary from year to year, and will be drawn from Employment Law, Managing Employment Relations, Resourcing and Talent Management, Employee Engagement, Understanding and Implementing Coaching and Mentoring, Reward Management and Leadership and Management Development, Organisation design and organisation development, Performance Management and Learning and Development.

Year three – MA Personnel and Development.

You will undertake the Research Methods and Dissertation unit which enables students to critically reflect on alternative theoretical and practical approaches to research, and to design and implement an Human Resource Management research project.

Assessment

Assessment methods vary across units and include written assignments, case studies, group presentations and exams. The Research Methods and Dissertation unit consists of a research proposal and presentation, and a dissertation.

Career skills and work experience

This course aims to develop a range of transferable skills, such as research, independent working, effective organisation, writing and strategic/creative thinking.

You can choose a dissertation topic that draws on your current working environment and experience.

Course length

3 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher; equivalent qualifications/ professional management experience will be considered.
- A Postgraduate Diploma in Personnel and Development (or equivalent) and a good overall level of performance in all diploma-level units permit entry into the final year of the MA.
- An appropriate range and level of organisational experience is also desirable.
- As a part-time course, overseas students requiring a student visa are not eligible to apply.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

This master's course will enhance your career prospects and broaden your opportunities in the HR field. Some of our previous graduates have been promoted after completing this course or have moved to more senior posts within their organisation.

Why Southampton Solent?

- There is the opportunity for flexible study around your job, with six sessions on Saturdays.
- Our tutors have extensive HR/ industry experience, supporting you in translating knowledge into practical skills and real-life scenarios.
- Choose from a range of dissertation topics to suit your interests.
- A one-year 'top-up' from the Postgraduate Diploma is available.

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Project Management

Gain the competitive edge in your career with this master's degree, aligning with the APM Body of Knowledge and incorporating accredited PRINCE2 and Agile PM qualifications.

Course overview

Designed to meet increasing demand, this professionally tailored course is aligned to the Association for Project Managers (APM) Body of Knowledge.

You will study the methodologies, techniques, principles and processes of project management at a globally accredited institution and gain a sought-after PRINCE2 Practitioner and Agile Project Management qualification.

Equipping you with specialised project management skills, the course will enable you to develop your leadership abilities and financial acumen, and support you to build a professional portfolio to further your career.

The course is split into eight units, divided into three levels of postgraduate qualification.

The first stage of the course is the PG Certificate Project Management which comprises three units: Project Management in Context, Finance for Project Managers, and PRINCE2 Methodology.

You will gain an understanding of governance, develop your accounting skills – with a focus on management accounting for project managers – and explore the methodology behind the world's most popular project management qualification and the de facto standard for project management in the UK, PRINCE2.

The second level, which is the PG Diploma Project Management, comprises three units: Project Management Tools and Techniques, Developing Human Capabilities and Leadership Skills in Project Management, and Agile Project Management.

In these units you will examine the structures and processes necessary for any organisation

to deliver a project effectively, explore the theories that have created advances in the fields of organisational behaviour (OB), human resource management (HRM) and leadership, and learn the Agile Project Management methodology, specifically the proven DSDM Atern framework.

Finally, you will progress to the full MSc Project Management by undertaking a Research Methods unit and a dissertation. You will identify your own research topic and explore the application of various management research methods, considering the organisation and management of research and ethical issues.

Industry focus

The course has input from the Association of Project Managers (APM), and is aligned to the APM Body of Knowledge.

The University also has strong links with APMG-International, enabling us to keep right up-to-date with the latest trends in project management.

Course content

Core units:

- Project Management in Context
- Finance for Project Managers
- PRINCE2 Methodology
- Project Management Tools and Techniques
- Developing Human Capabilities and Leadership Skills in Project Management
- Agile Project Management
- Research Methods
- Dissertation

Assessment

Assessment is through presentations, written assignments, exams, reports, projects, vivas and dissertations.

Course length

1 year full-time

2 years part-time

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

The project management profession is expanding dramatically, with an estimated 1.5 million additional roles being created globally every year until 2020.*

So, following this course, you will be well placed for a wide variety of careers in national or international businesses across all sectors.

*Figures from the Project Management Institute and Anderson Economic Group

Why Southampton Solent?

- Our teaching team has strong links with the project management profession and wider industry.
- Solent is the only UK university to offer and combine internationally recognised PRINCE2 Practitioner and Agile Project Management Practitioner accreditation opportunities.
- The course content aligns with requirements for the APM Body of Knowledge.
- You can convert any existing PRINCE2® Practitioner or Agile Project Management™ Practitioner accreditation into credits towards the MSc.

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Shipping Operations

Develop your professional skills and career in the maritime industry with this flexible and interactive online course.

Course overview

This course is aimed at maritime professionals who have considerable professional expertise and experience in the industry and wish to develop specialised knowledge and skills in ship safety management.

Serving seafarers and shipping industry professionals have demanding jobs that often take them to different parts of the world. The course is therefore taught online by distance learning using Solent University's virtual learning environment, which is available anywhere in the world, day and night. The course aims to help you develop the skills needed to succeed in management positions ashore and to identify and solve complex, real-life issues and problems through work-related assignments and workplace projects.

Industry focus

Our teaching staff keep up-to-date with the latest industry practices and developments through their research and representation at the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and other shipping bodies. Industry experts also contribute to the programme and mentor students on work-based projects, helping them to develop professional skills relevant to their work.



The course was excellent; the units were well developed, very varied, and it was valid to the job I was doing. I found it an extremely interesting experience. ”

Captain Martin Hislop, MSc
Shipping Operations graduate

Course content

Year one core units:

- Postgraduate and Self-Managed Study
- International Maritime Context
- Business Research Skills
- Professional Skills and Practice Portfolio
- Risk and Safety Management
- Legal Process

Year two core units:

- Project
- Safety Culture
- Accident Investigation and Organisational Learning

Assessment

Assessment may be through coursework, presentations, briefing papers, reports, portfolios, personal development plans and project work (including a dissertation).

Career skills and work experience

The course offers the opportunity to build a range of transferable skills, encompassing analysis, problem solving, influencing, decision making, communication, presentation, report writing, time management, debating and career management.

Much of the coursework and project is completed as part of a real live brief within your workplace. You'll be supported by an industry mentor who will guide your work-based project and help you create a professional practice portfolio. This allows development of skills that are relevant to your work.

Course length

2 years distance/online learning

Entry level

- An honours degree at 2:2 or higher in maritime studies, shipping, business or law, or another appropriate subject and relevant professional qualifications and experience
- A certificate of competency as a Master or Chief Engineer; Class 1 Master Mariner; Class 1 Engineer; STCW management-level qualifications, or equivalent, plus management-level experience in the sea transport industry (such as a Master, Chief Officer, Chief Engineer, First Engineer or equivalent)
- An HND or foundation degree via officer cadet route plus extensive relevant professional qualifications and management experience; all candidates must be working or recently employed in the maritime or shipping industry.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

As a graduate of this course, you'll possess a range of skills that will open up a choice of career opportunities, from shipping management through to port operations and teaching.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Accredited by the Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology
- Flexible online teaching
- Strong maritime track record and international acclaim through our Warsash Maritime Academy
- Southampton is a hub of maritime activity, with access to industry-standard facilities for students.

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Maria Juliana Mendoza, MSc International Shipping and Logistics student

"I like that the location of the University is close to the port of Southampton and its logistics companies. We have dynamic lecturers and the topics of the units are updated according to the current situation in the shipping industry, while I think the network created with classmates will be useful in

my career. In the future I would like to get experience in companies in the United Kingdom or Europe, so I can apply that knowledge in the ports of Colombia."



Visual Communication

Discover visual communication practice and theory on this advanced creative master's course, experimenting with a fascinating variety of techniques and outcomes.

Course overview

This master's degree aims to give you the creative skills and understanding of visual communications theory to help you build a rewarding career in the creative industries, such as art direction, animation, information design, publishing, illustration or even web and app design.

The course teaches the principles of visual communication and supports you in developing a network of contacts within the industry through Solent's extensive professional connections. You'll study the latest innovations in visual practice and examine the way that technological and cultural changes have fed into the latest thinking. With access to excellent facilities and an expanding research base, you'll make an innovative contribution to visual communication through a major project. Topics of study include editorial design, art direction, multimedia, information design, illustration, typographic design, print-making, photography, letterpress, screen-printing, wet darkroom and photo studio practice.

You will consider the advantages and limitations of web design and its delivery across a range of devices – from desktop to mobile – and develop the appropriate visual language and theory to apply to research findings.

The Research Methods unit focuses on the principles of academic research, presenting the range of research methods available for your chosen study path; you can develop confidence in independent research in preparation for the final master's project.

For your master's project, taught skills will be brought together to design, execute and present a piece of work that demonstrates understanding of your discipline of study.

Industry focus

The course aims to develop valuable and appropriate skillsets through engagement with the wider profession, design community and industry.

The course offers the chance to enter major industry awards schemes, including those from D&AD and the Royal Society of the Arts. Work-orientated assignments will be offered alongside appropriate 'live' projects from local and national organisations. There will be opportunities to visit museums, galleries and design studios, both nationally and internationally, as part of the course.

Course content

Core units:

- Professional Practice
- Visual Communication Practice
- Web Design
- Project Development
- Research Methods
- Master's Project

Assessment

A variety of assessment methods are used on the course including written work and portfolio submission, utilising a variety of presentation formats.

Career skills and work experience

The course aims to develop skills including: decision making under pressure; visual, written and verbal communication skills; critical thinking; and presentation to specialist and non-specialist audiences.

Opportunities to engage directly with employers by organising your own work placement or work-based project will be supported and encouraged by the course team as required.

Course length

1 year full-time

Also available part-time

Entry level

- A good undergraduate degree in a creative arts discipline
- Applicants not meeting these requirements will be considered on a case-by-case basis if they have other relevant evidence to support their application; a portfolio presentation will be required.
- If your first language is not English, you must have an IELTS score of 6.5 (6.0 writing), or equivalent.

Career opportunities

This master's degree delivers the skills you'll need for a wide range of fields in the creative industries, such as art direction, animation, brand identity, information design, publishing, typography, illustration, photography, and even web and app design.

Why Southampton Solent?

- Excellent creative facilities
- A strong record of alumni employment
- Taught by a team of professional practitioners with strong ties to industry
- Access to a vibrant research culture, including a variety of research clusters within the School of Art and Design
- A postgraduate platform for publishing visual communication research
- An interdisciplinary approach, bringing you together with postgraduate students from other design and artistic areas
- High level of success in recognised national design competitions.

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Brent Meheux,
Course leader MA Visual Communication

"The key to this MA is that it brings together creatives from so many different disciplines, helping to broaden their horizons, bring new perspective to their work, and so ultimately develop a far broader range of transferable employability skills to take into tomorrow's creative marketplace."

Professional and short courses

We run a number of part-time, professional and professional development units (PDUs). These are designed specifically to help you gain accreditation and move forward in your career. The courses available are listed below:

- ACCA full-time
- ACCA part-time
- Certificate of Competence in Building Acoustics Measurement (IOA)
- Certificate of Competence in Environmental Noise Measurement (IOA)
- Diploma in Acoustics and Noise Control (IOA)
- Technician Professional Review (TPR) Preparation – short course
- CIPD Intermediate Diploma Human Resource Management
- CMI Level 5 in Management and Leadership
- PgD Personnel and Development
- PRINCE2® Foundation and Practitioner
- Cisco Certified Network Professional
- Cisco Certified Network Associate
- Consolidation and Preparation for Specialist Practice (Adult Social Care)
- Pre-Sessional English Language Courses
- Solent International Language Programme
- CIM Certificate in Professional Marketing
- CIM Diploma in Professional Marketing
- CIM Foundation Certificate in Marketing
- Pro-tools 101,110,201 and 210m

Solent Sport offers an extensive programme of coach education courses as well as a wide range of National Governing Body qualifications (NGB) and sport development courses including:

Coach Education courses:

American Football Level 1
Athletics Assistant Coach
Badminton Level 1
Basketball Level 1
Basketball Level 2
Boxing Tutor Award
Cricket Level 2
Dodgeball Level 2
Football Level 1
Football Level 2

FA Goalkeeping Level 1
FA Goalkeeping Level 2
FA Youth Module 1
FA Youth Module 2
Futsal Level 1
Handball Level 1
Multiskills Level 2
Netball Level 1
Netball Level 2
Principles of Coaching Level 2
Rounders Level 1
Rounders Level 2
Rugby League Level 1
Rugby Ready Award
SAQ PSM Award
Scrum Factory (Rugby)
Start Coaching TAG Rugby
Tennis Level 1
Tennis Level 2
Volleyball level 1

Continuous Professional Development courses:

Emergency First Aid at Work Level 2
scuk Equity in Your Coaching
Mentoring In Sport
scuk Positive Behaviour Management
scuk Safeguarding Children
FA Emergency First Aid
FA Safeguarding Children
UKSCA (pre-accreditation)
Olympic Lifting workshop

Teacher Training Courses:

Tennis Teachers Training
Rounders Teachers Award
Quicksticks Hockey

We also offer a Register of Exercise Professionals (REPs) Level 3 Personal Trainer conversion course for graduates wishing to upgrade from provisional to full REPs membership (subject to previous qualifications and experience) solent.ac.uk/reps

For further information please see solent.ac.uk/coached

Our PDUs offer bite-size, flexible units which can be combined to give you a bespoke learning package.

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solent.ac.uk/courses



Pre-sessional English language course

Our pre-sessional English language courses are designed to help students from around the world improve their academic and English language skills before starting postgraduate studies.

The courses aim to help you achieve the language entry requirements for your postgraduate degree, improving your reading, writing, listening and speaking skills.

With a focus on academic skills and language, the course is designed to help you prepare for the University's own English language test which you will take at the end of the pre-sessional course.

You will be taught in seminar groups on campus by a range of specialist Solent tutors, getting you used to studying at the University.

You can also learn useful language skills for UK life, and have the option to take part in social activities and cultural visits to local locations.

ACCA

Course length: 1 year full-time or 2 years part-time

This course provides specialist tuition in the principles and values of accounting, specifically designed to prepare you for your Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) qualification examinations.

Build the accountancy skills and knowledge necessary for professional practice in a wide range of businesses and sectors, boosting your employability.

Hours per paper vary between three and five and a half hours depending on your individual needs; and you'll be taught by highly regarded lecturers with experience in the profession.

All courses are completely University-run, preparing you for examinations held by the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA).

You must ensure you have contacted ACCA and completed the necessary registration forms before beginning the course.

Terms and conditions

You will be required to abide by the University's regulations, policies and procedures. These documents, together with other information made available to you at the time of an admission offer being made, will comprise the primary terms of the contract between you and the University. In accepting such an offer, you will be signifying your consent to these terms. The University reserves the right to take disciplinary action where regulations are broken, and in extreme cases this could lead to expulsion from the University. As a student, you will have access to a wealth of information describing the teaching, examination and assessment arrangements, services and facilities which are available to you, via the University website. You may wish to start by looking at the Southampton Solent Charter which sets out our institutional values and our wish to ensure that the University remains a supportive community to all:

solent.ac.uk/about/about-us.aspx
solent.ac.uk/terms

Our offer letter will outline the key issues that you need to be aware of prior to joining the University and will direct you to our 'HelloUni' website, which is dedicated to providing you with a range of information that may be helpful in advance of arrival, including the formal policies and procedures that are relevant to all students. You will also be given a copy of the student handbook when you enrol at the University.

No smoking policy

The University operates a no smoking policy. Staff, students and visitors may not smoke in the buildings and grounds, except in certain designated external areas.

No drugs policy

The University is committed to preventing drug and solvent abuse amongst its staff and students, and to maintaining a safe and efficient educational environment. No illegal drugs or associated equipment may be brought onto any University premises, including the Students' Union and residences. The police will be informed in cases of illegal drug use, and disciplinary procedures will be applied to any student involved, which may result in expulsion from the University.

Consumption of alcohol

With the exception of the residences, the consumption of alcohol at the University is only permitted in licensed areas, other than for special occasions when the prior permission of a member of the University's senior management team must be obtained.

Disclaimer

Every effort is made to ensure that the information given in this prospectus is correct at the time of publication and that the course information accurately describes the courses offered by the University. However, from time to time details change; you should contact the University to verify information, especially if you wish to place particular reliance upon it prior to accepting an offer.

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How to find us

By road

Southampton is just 75 miles from London.

From the north, London and the home counties: the M3, M27 and A34 provide fast, direct road links to the city.

From the west: the M4/A34 or the A36 are the major routes from the West Country, Bristol and Wales.

From the east: follow the A27/M27 and leave at Junction 8.

The postcode for the University is SO14 0YN.

Parking

As a city-centre university, there is little parking on campus. The nearest car parks are at Grosvenor Square (SO15 2BE) and Bedford Place (SO15 2DS).

By rail

From London, take the regular train service (every 30 minutes) from London Waterloo station.

The closest train station is Southampton Central.

By coach

National Express and Megabus all provide regular services to Southampton.

Maps (including our accessibility map) can be downloaded from our website at:

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