

Section 1: BASIC INFORMATION

1.1	Awarding Institution:	University of St Mark & St John
1.2	Teaching Institution:	University of St Mark & St John
1.3	Locus of Delivery:	University of St Mark & St John
1.4	Final Award Title:	Bachelor of Arts (Hons)
1.5	FHEQ Level:	4, 5, 6
1.6	Programme Title:	Social Science
1.7	Mode and Duration of Study:	Full-Time – 3 Years; Part-Time – 6 Years
1.8	UCAS Code(s):	L301
1.9	Admission Criteria:	Normal University entrance criteria apply (please
		refer to the website for further details).
1.10	Accrediting Professional Body/	Not Applicable
	PSRB:	
1.11	QAA Subject Benchmarking	Sociology; Psychology; Social Policy &
	Group(s):	Administration; Politics & International Relations
		Framework for Higher Education Qualifications
1.12	Other External Points of	(FHEQ); The Campaign for Social Science; Subject
	Reference:	Benchmark Statement: Social Policy [Draft for
		Consultation, October 2015]
1.13	Language of Study (for learning,	English
	teaching and assessment):	
1.14	Work-Based Learning	Work-based learning takes place within the
	Arrangements:	module SSCD90
1.15	Foundation Degree Progression	Not Applicable
	Routes:	
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1.16	Arrangements for Distance Learning:	Not Applicable
1.17	Original Date of Production:	September 2015
1.18	Date of Commencement:	September 2016
1.19	Review Date:	September 2022

2. Programme Outline

The BA (Hons) Social Science is a trans-disciplinary programme, underpinned by Sociology, Psychology, and Social Policy. It will appeal to students seeking a broad based Social Science degree; but will offer the opportunity of greater specialisation as the student progresses. The programme will explore a number of contemporary social issues such as globalisation, health and social welfare, children and young people, education, and crime and deviance. The programme will ensure students are prepared for their future employment through the development of appropriate critical thinking skills, knowledge and understanding, intellectual skills, practical skills and key and transferable skills.

2.1 Integrating Sustainability into the Curriculum

The concept of sustainability focuses on achieving human well-being and quality of life, pursued through the maintenance, care and equitable use of natural and cultural resources. Issues of sustainability are therefore integral to the study of the social sciences, but will be particularly addressed within the modules SSC D03: Globalisation: The Local and the Global; and CYC H14: Global Education and Sustainability. The programme team aims to enable students to participate in activities for a sustainable future and, in-line with the pedagogy of the programme, critique and develop this knowledge further. For example, we will aim to reduce our impact on the environment, and enhance student's digital literacy skills, through the use of e-learning, e-submission and e-books. We will promote student wellbeing and build confidence, in the self and others. Additionally, there will be an emphasis on encouraging students to ask critical questions of themselves, others and our global community, which will enable them to clarify their own values as well as promote a sustainable future.

3. Distinctive Features

The proposed BA (Hons) Social Science will attempt to align with the University's mission, as outlined in the Strategic Plan 'Challenging Horizons' (2014:14):

'Development and dissemination of cutting-edge knowledge in distinctive areas, including through innovative use of technology and new modes of delivery, to have a positive influence and make a lasting impact on society, economy, culture, environment and wellbeing'.

To this end, one of the distinctive attributes of this programme will be its mode of delivery. There will be an emphasis on the student as producers (rather than reproducers) of knowledge (Neary, 2012). This 'enquiry based' approach involves the students 'doing' social science (Barnett and Coate, 2005), involving a considerable amount of project work and student presentations; and will necessitate a strong grounding in social research methods and methodologies, both quantitative and qualitative. Work based learning opportunities will enable students to integrate academic and research knowledge with work-based placements, and ensure that students are equipped with the skills, values and knowledge for the modern day workplace.

4. Programme Aims

- 1. To develop students' knowledge and understanding of the social sciences, especially sociology, psychology, and social policy.
- 2. To develop the critical and analytical capabilities of the student, together with an understanding of the contested nature of social scientific knowledge.
- 3. To develop the student's problem-based learning skills, and the transferable skills necessary for graduate employment and/or further study.
- 4. To develop the student's confidence and interpersonal skills, to enable them to work both autonomously, and within teams.
- 5. To develop research skills, and skills in data analysis and interpretation.

5. Programme Learning

Outcomes Knowledge &

understanding:

By the end of this programme students should be able to demonstrate:-

- 1. Knowledge and understanding of the key relevant concepts and theoretical approaches that have developed, and are developing within the social sciences.
- 2. An awareness of social context, of the nature of social processes, and of social diversity and inequality.
- 3. An understanding of the social processes underpinning social change, both locally and globally.
- 4. An understanding of a range of quantitative and qualitative research strategies and methods, and of the ethical dimensions of social research.
- 5. An understanding of the distinctive nature of social science in relation to other forms of understanding, such as its relation to other disciplines and to everyday explanations.

Intellectual skills:

By the end of this programme students should be able to demonstrate:-

- 6. An ability to review and critically evaluate relevant theory, research, argument and evidence.
- 7. An appreciation of the complexity and diversity of social situations.
- 8. An ability to gather, retrieve, and synthesise information, and to use it to make reasoned arguments.
- An ability to analyse policies and practices in the light of a range of theoretical perspectives.

Practical skills:

By the end of this programme students should be able to demonstrate:-

- 10. An ability to formulate questions about the social world, informed by the social sciences.
- 11. Competence in using theoretical perspectives and concepts in the social sciences, and their application to social life.
- 12. The capacity to analyse, assess and communicate empirical social science information.
- 13. An ability to identify a range of quantitative and qualitative research strategies and
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methods, and to comment on their relative advantages and disadvantages.

- 14. The ability to conduct social scientific work in a preliminary way.
- 15. The ability to undertake and present scholarly work.
- 16. An understanding of the ethical implications of social science research
- 17. An ability to recognise the relevance of social scientific knowledge to social, public, civic, and global policy.

Transferable / key skills:

By the end of this programme students should be able to demonstrate:-

- 18. Learning and study skills.
- 19. Written and oral communication skills in a variety of contexts and modes.
- 20. Statistical and other quantitative techniques.
- 21. An ability to collect and analyse qualitative data.
- 22. Information retrieval skills in relation to primary and secondary sources of information.
- 23. Communication and digital literacy skills.
- 24. Skills of time planning and management.
- 25. Group work skills.

6. Learning and Teaching Methods

The social science programme will utilise many of the traditional methods of university teaching, such as lectures, seminars, and tutorials. However, the learning and teaching strategy will be student-centred, placing considerable emphasis on autonomous, self-directed and active learning. Through the use of 'enquiry based learning', students will be encouraged and supported to become self-motivated, autonomous and curious lifelong learners.

Throughout the curriculum students will be encouraged to discuss the applications of social science theories and evidence, and its relevance to everyday life. In addition, students will learn how we can use social science knowledge to solve world and local problems, work sustainably and promote equality, social cohesion and work in the service of others in a non-judgemental, anti-discriminatory manner.

Teaching and learning on the programme will utilise a combination of the following:

Blended learning	Content and materials are part delivered through digital and online media, part delivered through face to face interaction.
Blog	A regularly updated webspace (private or public) written by an individual student or group of students, written in an informal manner.
Directed learning	Lecturer guides student towards appropriate materials, study activities and reading, responsibility for acquisition and assimilation remains with the individual student.
Discussion board	E-learning tool, in which the students discuss a topic online. Discussion can be either synchronous or asynchronous.
Enquiry based learning (EBL)	Students investigate a presented question, problem or scenario. The process is usually facilitated.
Fieldwork	Learning undertaken in an alternative context, location or environment from the regular learning environment that may be for an extended period and may require transport and accommodation.
Flipped classroom	Reversal of traditional teaching and reading activities, in which students prepare for the session from guidance, by watching a lecture online, completing a specified reading etc. and the face to face session is devoted to exercises, projects or discussion.
Group critique	Groupwork which centres on a specific topic. Discussion is facilitated by a leader and members of the group are encouraged to think and speak critically on the topic.

Group-directed Learning Lecture	Tasks decided and allocated by members of a group, acquisition and assimilation of the materials and learning remains with the individual student. Verbal delivery of information to students can be face
Placement	to face or via web 2.0 tools. Learning achieved by undertaking activities, under supervision and mentoring, in a work context. Learning concepts and techniques associated with a particular profession or trade in a live working environment, while being monitored and supported by a tutor.
Reflective diary	A personal record of experiences. A space in which the individual student can explore, critique and develop an understanding of their own experiences, skills and values.
Research Proposal	A written piece of work outlining a plan for research.
Self-directed Learning	
	Student decides focus of learning and study, responsibility for acquisition and assimilation remains with the student.
Seminar	Typically small groups of students learning through discussion or highly focused practical tasks.
Tutorial	Often one to one or small group encounters between a tutor and student in which learning may be stimulated by a student request or maybe focused on the detail of subject matter covered in another context.
Workshop	Learning which is normally delivered via a practical activity in which a group of students undertake tasks under guidance related to a common theme and in the process acquire skills, techniques and conceptual understanding.

6.1 Learning Enhancement

A distinctive feature of the programme will be an emphasis on the student as producers (rather than reproducers) of knowledge (Neary, 2012). This approach involves the students 'doing' social science (Barnett and Coate, 2005), involving a considerable amount of project work and student presentations; and will necessitate a strong grounding in social research methods and methodologies, both quantitative and qualitative. Hence, research methods and methodologies are included at all levels of the programme. All students will follow the university wide module SSCC90: Engaging with Learning, designed to provide students with the basic academic skills and literacies needed for successful undergraduate study. This will be supported by the provision of a Personal Development Tutor for each student, who will mentor the student throughout the three years of the programme. The Level 5 module SSCD90: Engaging with Employability will provide students with an opportunity to apply social scientific analysis to everyday life.

6.2 e-Learning

E-learning and digital literacy development will be a central component of the social science programme. However, the relationship with e-learning and digital literacy will differ depending on the pedagogy of the module. All modules will at least provide information and links to literature and other resources on the University's VLE [Learning Space]. Most of the modules will utilise a blended learning approach in which e-learning activities support the face to face interaction and learning environment, as well as providing the students with opportunities to further enhance and apply their social scientific knowledge. In particular, in the Level 5 modules SSC D01: Quantitative Research Methods and SSC D02: Qualitative Research Methods students will be encouraged to explore both statistical and qualitative data analysis software and other online research tools. Students will be encouraged to take advantage of the many e-learning tutorials that are offered centrally within the University.

7. Modes of Assessment

The assessment scheme embodies the principles of assessment of and for learning. Assessment has a role in providing an indication to students and staff of the level of attainment, in relation to established criteria. However, assessment is also designed for learning, because it is a means of actually doing learning – reading, thinking, researching, and writing. This is in accordance with the programme's emphasis on students as producers, rather than simply consumers, of

knowledge. The range of assessment tasks is intended to enable students to develop skills in communication, planning and time management, problem solving and analytical skills, critical thinking, decision making skills, and team working skills – all skills that relate to employability. The assessment regime accords with the University's Assessment Regulations and Procedures.

Artefact	
	Student produces a creative artefact, on-line tool, or object in
	response to a question or problem posed by the lecturer.
Dissertation	
	An extended piece of work carried out by an individual student,
	on a relevant topic of their choice. It may involve scholarly
	primary research and/or a critical analysis of published works.
	A dissertation is normally an honours level assignment
Essay	Extended writing assignment in response to a question set by
	the module lead, or in negotiation between student and
	lecturer.
Examination	Time constrained and under test conditions. May be essay type
	answer, short answer, data analysis and interpretation or
	multiple choice questions. Can be written or verbal
	communication.
Placement File	A collection of materials of relevance to a work placement,
	including the contract, recordings/evidence, and a self-
	assessment.
Portfolio	Collection of short tasks, either in written format or a series of
	online tasks, such as blogs and discussion board
	communication.
Poster	A visual representation of data, critical review of literature or
	research findings.
Presentation	Clearly structured individual or group verbal delivery within timed
	conditions, delivered using appropriate methods and which

	demonstrates detailed knowledge and analysis.
Report	A written response structured to an event or activity which evaluates and assesses the processes and outcomes and makes recommendations
Research Proposal	A detailed outline for a research project which includes relevant reading and proposed methodology.

8. Exemptions to University Regulations

Not Applicable

9. Work-Based Learning / Placement Learning

The programme will be closely aligned with the University's Employability Strategy, with employability skills embedded in all areas of the curriculum. Employability will be at the heart of the programme design, delivery and development. The programme will continue ensure students are prepared for their future employment through the development of appropriate critical thinking skills, knowledge and understanding, intellectual skills, practical skills and key and transferable skills. The work placement module SSCD90: Engaging with Employability is intended to provide practical experience in the application and usefulness of knowledge gained at the university. It enables students to develop skills in communication, planning and time management, problem solving and analytical skills, critical thinking, decision making skills, and team working skills.

The Faculty of Education, Enterprise and Culture has developed extensive links with potential employers, including schools, youth workers, early years providers, and youth offending agencies. The University has a high graduate employability rate, and this programme will continue to build on this reputation. The Social Science disciplines enable students to enter into a variety of types of employment, with current students entering into careers in youth services, family liaison, teaching and educational services, social work, the police force, and academia.

10. Programme Structure

					Assessme	ent			
	Modul e Code ¹	Module Title	Credits	%age Cours e work	%age Writt en exam	%age Practic al exam	Semester/Term ^A	c/0*	Non- condonable#
	<u>SSCC01</u>	Understanding Research, Theory and Method	20	100			В	С	
	SSCC02	, Introduction to Psychology	20	50	50		х	C	
	SSCC03	Our Social Selves	20	100			A	С	
Level 4	SEDC01	Introduction to Disability Studies	20	50		50	A	С	
	SSCC06	Introduction to Sociology and Social Policy	20	100			В	С	
	<u>SSCC90</u>	Engaging with Learning: Social Science	20	100			Х	C	٧
	SSCD01	Quantitative Research Methods	20	100			A	С	V
	SSCD02	Qualitative Research Methods	20	100			В	С	٧
el 5	SSCD03	Globalisation: the Local and the Global	20	100			A	С	
Level 5	SSCD04	Contemporary Social and Political Thought	20	100			A	С	
	SSCD05	Political Economy of Welfare	20	100			В	С	
	SSCD90	Engaging with Employability: Social Science	20	100			В	С	V
	<u>SSCDIM</u>	Independent Study	20	100			В	0	
	SSCH01	The Body, Health and Illness	20	100			А	0	
	SSCH02	Identity and Sexualities	20	100			А	0	
Ра	<u>SSCH03</u> g e BA (Hor	Crime and Deviance in Society s) Social Science (v1.2)	20	100			A	0	

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SSCH04	Discourse, Communication	20	100			В	0	
	and							
	Interaction							
SSCH05	Education in Society	20	50	50		В	0	
SSCH06	Community Psychology	20	100			В	0	
PAEH03	Global Education and	20	100			А	0	
	Sustainability: Formal							
	and							
	Informal Learning and Change							
SSCH07	Understanding Children and	20	100	60	40	В	0	
	Young People							
<u>SSCHIM</u>	Independent Study	20	100			A/B	0	
SSCHD1	Dissertation	40	100			Х	С	٧

<u>Key</u>:

- ^ For modules delivered by semester:
 - A, B or C = Semester A, B or C (trimester)
- * C = compulsory; O = optional
- # A \vee indicates that the module is non-condonable on this programme.

* denotes existing, currently validated module. All other modules are new.

Programme Structure by Level

¹ a definitive module descriptor is required for each module

The programme has a prescribed route in levels 4, and 5, with options available at level 6.

Full-time Route:

Level 4:

SEMESTER A	SEMESTER B
SSCC02: INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY	SSCC02: INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY
SSCC03: OUR SOCIAL SELVES	SSCC01: UNDERSTANDING
	RESEARCH, THEORY AND METHOD
SEDC01: INTRODUCTION TO DISABILITY	SSCC06: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY
STUDIES	AND SOCIAL POLICY
SSCC90: ENGAGING WITH LEARNING	SSCC90: ENGAGING WITH LEARNING

Level 5:

SEMESTER A	SEMESTER B
SSCD01: QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH	SSCD02: QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS
METHODS	
SSCD03: GLOBALIZATION: THE GLOBAL &	SSCD05: POLITICAL ECONOMY OF WELFARE
THE LOCAL	
SSC D04: CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL &	SSCD90: ENGAGING WITH EMPLOYABILITY
POLITICAL THOUGHT	
	SSCDIM: INDEPENDENT STUDY [Optional]

Level 6:

SEMESTER A	SEMESTER B			
SSCHD1: DISSERTATION [PART 1]	SSCHD2: DISSERTATION [PART 2]			
[Compulsory]	[Compulsory]			
SSCH01: THE BODY, HEALTH & ILLNESS	SSCH04: DISCOURSE,COMMUNICATION &			
[Optional]	INTERACTION [Optional]			
SSCH02: IDENTITY & SEXUALITIES	SSCH05: EDUCATION IN SOCIETY			
[Optional]	[Optional]			
SSCH03: CRIME AND DEVIANCE IN SOCIETY	SSCH06: COMMUNITY PSYCHOLOGY			

[Optional]	[Optional]
PAEH03: GLOBAL EDUCATION AND	SSCH07: UNDERSTANDING CHILDREN AND
SUSTAINABILITY: FORMAL AND INFORMAL	YOUNG PEOPLE [Optional]
LEARNING AND CHANGE [Optional]	
SSCHIM: INDEPENDENT STUDY [Optional]	SSCHIM: INDEPENDENT STUDY [Optional]

Part-time route:

Level 4 [Year 1]:

SEMESTER A	SEMESTER B
SSCC90: ENGAGING WITH LEARNING	SSCC90: ENGAGING WITH LEARNING
SSCC02: INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY	SSCC02: INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY

Level 4 [Year 2]:

SEMESTER A	SEMESTER B
SSCC03: OUR SOCIAL SELVES	SSCC01: UNDERSTANDING RESEARCH,
	THEORY, AND METHOD
SEDC01: INTRODUCTION TO	SSCC06: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY
DISABILITY	AND SOCIAL POLICY
STUDIES	

Level 5 [Year 3]:

SEMESTER A	SEMESTER B
SSCD01: QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH	SSCD02: QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS
METHODS	

Level 5 [Year 4]:

SEMESTER A	SEMESTER B
SSCD03: GLOBALIZATION: THE GLOBAL &	SSCD90: ENGAGING WITH EMPLOYABILITY
THE LOCAL	
SSCDIM: INDEPENDENT STUDY [Optional]	SSCD05: POLITICAL ECONOMY OF WELFARE

Level 6 [Year 5] Choose 3 Taught Modules:

SEMESTER A	SEMESTER B
SSCH01: THE BODY, HEALTH & ILLNESS	SSCH04: DISCOURSE,COMMUNICATION &
[Optional]	INTERACTION
SSCH02: IDENTITY & SEXUALITIES	SSCH05: EDUCATION IN SOCIETY
[Optional]	[Optional]
SSCH03: CRIME AND DEVIANCE IN SOCIETY	SSCH06: COMMUNITY PSYCHOLOGY
[Optional]	[Optional]
PAEH03: GLOBAL EDUCATION AND	SSCH07: UNDERSTANDING CHILDREN AND
SUSTAINABILITY: FORMAL AND INFORMAL	YOUNG PEOPLE [Optional]
LEARNING AND CHANGE [Optional]	
SSCHIM: INDEPENDENT STUDY [Optional]	SSCHIM: INDEPENDENT STUDY [Optional]

Level 6 [Year 6]: Take SSC HD1 and SSC HD2 plus 1 Taught Module [Not previously taken in Year

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SEMESTER A	SEMESTER B
SSCHD1: DISSERTATION [PART 1]	SSCHD2: DISSERTATION [PART 2]
[Compulsory]	[Compulsory]
SSCH01: THE BODY, HEALTH & ILLNESS	SSCH04: DISCOURSE,COMMUNICATION &
[Optional]	INTERACTION

SSCH02: IDENTITY & SEXUALITIES	SSCH05: EDUCATION IN SOCIETY
[Optional]	[Optional]
SSCH03: CRIME AND DEVIANCE IN SOCIETY	SSCH06: COMMUNITY PSYCHOLOGY
[Optional]	[Optional]
PAEH03: GLOBAL EDUCATION AND	SSCH07: UNDERSTANDING CHILDREN AND
SUSTAINABILITY: FORMAL AND INFORMAL	YOUNG PEOPLE [Optional]
LEARNING AND CHANGE [Optional]	
SSCHIM: INDEPENDENT STUDY [Optional]	SSCHIM: INDEPENDENT STUDY [Optional]

11. Accrediting Professional Body / Professional Regulatory and Statutory Body

(PSRB)

Not Applicable

12. Professional Advisory Group

Not Applicable

13. Academic Progression Opportunities

The programme places students in an excellent position to apply for post graduate taught programmes in the social sciences and post graduate research programmes such as M.Phil/Ph.D. Additionally the skills, knowledge and values that the students will gain, when successful, during the programme will enable them to be in a positive position if they wish to apply for further study in fields such as education, social work and health careers.

14. Employability and Career Progression Opportunities

Students with a degree in social science are extremely employable. The Campaign for Social Sciences (2013) report depicts that 84% of social science graduates are in employment 3.5 years after graduating in comparison to 78% of humanities graduates. The Social Science disciplines enable students to enter into a variety of types of employment. This programme will enable students to develop skills in communication, planning and time management, problem solving and analytical skills, critical thinking, decision making skills, and team working skills. The pedagogical underpinning of the programme, skills, knowledge and values that the students

addition to careers in marketing, management, leadership, research, business and innovation in a global marketplace. The Faculty of Education, Enterprise and Culture has developed extensive links with potential employers, including schools, youth workers, early years providers, and youth offending agencies. The University has a high graduate employability rate, and this programme will continue to build on this reputation.

15. Support for Students and for Student Learning

The University and the programme team recognise take a student-centred approach to learning and teaching. In addition, the student support team, alongside the programme team, offer the students a wide range of services and guidance to support them through their studies. At programme level, all students will be allocated to a Personal Development Tutor for the duration of their studies. They will have access to tutorials with named module leads, and lead lecturers and seminar leaders; and open access to the programme lead. At an institutional level students will be able to access the comprehensive and confidential services provided by the student support team, as well as services provided by the library, media and IT, chaplaincy teams. In order to further enhance their skills of digital literacy, students will be encouraged to take part in the many different IT skills workshops held centrally across the university.

16. Student Feedback Mechanisms

Students have a number of opportunities to feedback to the programme team, as well as at an institutional level, about their experiences. This feedback is used to enhance the programme, and the student experience. Student feedback mechanisms include:

- Regular staff-student liaison meetings [at the programme level]
- Tutorials with lecturers and seminar leaders
- Appointments with the Programme Area Lead
- A Personal Development Tutor
- Students' Union
- institution-wide student satisfaction surveys
- National Student Survey

17. Other Stakeholder Feedback (ie graduates and employers)

Final year undergraduate students will be encouraged to provide feedback on their experience of the programme through the NSS. Other stakeholders, work-based placement providers and interested parties will be regularly invited to feedback on the content of the programme and the development of the students' skills, knowledge and values. This will be reported more widely in the institution through the Annual Programme Report.

18. Quality and Enhancement Mechanisms

The quality of the student experience and the standards of the awards are managed and quality assured through the University's regulations and procedures.

Student achievement and progression is managed through the Module Assessment Boards (MABs) and the Progression and Award Boards (PABs).

Programmes are reviewed annually through annual monitoring processes, including the minutes of Staff-Student Liaison Meetings, Module Reports, Programme Reports, and External Examiner Reports, and incorporate student feedback mechanisms.

19. Key Information Set (KIS) Data

Learning Outcomes Mapping Matrix template

	Kn	owle	dge	and	nd Intellectual Skills					Prac	Practical Skills									Transferable/Key Skills										
	Un	ders	tand	ing																										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25					
SSCC01				х	Х	Х			x	x		Х	Х	Х	Х	X		Х	x	x	х	x		x						
SSCC02	Х				X		X								Х			X	x			х		х						
SSCC03	Х	x			Х	X	x								X			X	x			х		x						
SSCC90					Х									X	X			X	x	x	х	x	x	x						
SSCC06	X	x	x		Х	X	X		x						X		X	X	x			x		x						
SEDC01	x	x	х		Х	X	x		x	x	Х	X		X	Х		X	X	x			x		x	x					
SSCD01				х	Х					x		X	х	X	Х	X		X	x	x		x		x						
SSCD02				х	Х					x		х	Х	х	Х	X		X	x		х	х		x						
SSCD03	x	х	х		Х		X	x	x	x	Х			x	Х			X	x			х		x						
SSCD05	x	x	x		х	Х	x	x	x	x	x				x			x	x			x	x	x	x					
SEDD04	x	x	x		х		x		x	x	x				x			x	x			x	x	x	x					
SSCD90		x	x		X		x		X	X					X	X	X	X	x			x	x	X						
SSCDIM	x	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X				X	X	X	X	x			X	x	X						
SSCH01	x	X	X		Х	X	x	x		x	x	x			x			x	x			x	x	x						

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SSCH02	X	х	х		X	X	X	X		X	X	Х			X			X	Х			Х	Х	Х	
SSCH03	x	х	Х		X	X	X	X		X	Х	Х			X			x	х			Х	х	x	
SSCH04	x	х	х		Х	X	X	Х		X	Х	Х			X			х	х			Х	х	х	
SSCH05	X	х	Х		Х	X	X	Х		X	Х	х			X			х	х			Х	х	х	
SSCH06	X	х	Х		Х	X	X	Х		X	Х	х			X			х	х			Х	х	х	x
SSCH07	x	х	х		Х	X	X	Х		X	Х	х			X			х	х			X	х	х	x
SSCHIM	x	х	х		X	X	X		Х	X	Х	X		X	X	x	Х	X	Х			Х	Х	x	
SSCHD1		х		Х	Х							х	Х	Х	X	х	Х	х	х	X	х	X	х	х	
PAEH03	x	х	Х		Х	X	X	х		X	Х	х			X			х	х			X	х	х	



Quality Assurance Framework

Appendix 2:

CREDIT LEVEL 4	Students awarded a qualification at this level will have demonstrated:
(Certificate)	
Knowledge and	- factual and/or conceptual knowledge and understanding of key concepts
understanding	and principles associated with their area(s) of study using appropriate
	terminology;
	- an awareness of ethical issues in current areas of study with an ability to
	discuss these in relation to personal beliefs and values.
Intellectual skills	 the ability to analyse using given classifications/ principles;
	- the ability to synthesise ideas and information in a predictable and
	standard format;
	 the ability to evaluate the reliability of data using defined techniques
	and/or tutor guidance;
	 the ability to apply tools/methods accurately and carefully to a well
	defined problem and begin to appreciate the complexity of issues.
Practical skills	- the ability to operate in predictable, defined contexts using a range of
	specified (subject specific) techniques;
	- the ability to act with limited autonomy, under direction or supervision,
	within defined guidelines.

Transferable /	- the ability to work effectively with others as a member of a group and
key skills	meet obligations to others (e.g. tutors, peers and colleagues);
	- the ability to work within an appropriate ethos, using and accessing a
	range of learning resources;
	- the ability to evaluate their own strengths and weaknesses within
	criteria largely set by others;
	- responsibility for their own learning with appropriate support;
	- the ability to communicate effectively in a variety of formats appropriate
	to the discipline(s) and report practical procedures in a clear and concise
	manner;
	- the ability to apply tools/methods accurately and carefully to a well
	defined problem and begin to appreciate the complexity of the issues of
	the discipline.

CREDIT LEVEL 5	Students awarded a qualification at this level will have demonstrated:
(Diploma)	
Knowledge and	- detailed knowledge of major theories of the discipline(s) and awareness
understanding	of a variety of ideas, contexts and frameworks;
	- an awareness of wider social and environmental implications of area(s)
	of study;
	- an ability to debate issues in relation to more general ethical
	perspectives.
Intellectual skills	- the ability to analyse a range of information with minimum guidance
	using given classifications/principles and can compare alternative
	methods and techniques for obtaining data/information;
	- the ability to reformat a range of ideas and information towards a given
	purpose;
	- the ability to select appropriate techniques of evaluation and evaluate
	the relevant and significance of the data/ information collected;
	- the ability to identify key elements of problems and choose appropriate
	methods for their resolution in a considered manner.
Practical skills	- the ability to operate in situations of varying complexity and
	predictability requiring the application of a wide range of techniques;
	- the ability to act with increasing autonomy, with minimal direction or
	supervision, within defined guidelines.
Transferable /	- the ability to interact effectively within a team, giving and receiving
key skills	information and ideas and modifying responses where appropriate;
	- the ability to manage learning using resources relevant to the discipline;
	- a professional working relationships with others;
	- the ability to evaluate their own strengths and weaknesses, challenge
	received opinion and develop own criteria and judgement;
	- the ability to manage information; select appropriate data from a range
	of sources and develop appropriate research strategies;
	- the ability to take responsibility for own learning, with minimum
	direction;
	- the ability to communicate effectively and in a variety of formats

appropriate to the discipline(s), in a clear and concise manner;
 the ability to identify key areas of problems and select appropriate
tools/methods accurately for their resolution in a considered manner.

CREDIT LEVEL 6	Students awarded a qualification at this level will have demonstrated:
(Honours)	
Knowledge and	- comprehensive/detailed knowledge of a major discipline(s), with areas
understanding	of specialisation in depth;
	 an awareness of the provisional nature of knowledge;
	- an awareness of personal responsibility and professional codes of
	conduct and can incorporate a critical ethical dimension into a major
	piece of work.
Intellectual skills	- the ability to analyse new and/or abstract data and situations without
	guidance, using a range of techniques appropriate to the subject;
	- the ability to transform abstract data and concepts towards a given
	purpose and design novel solutions, with minimum supervision;
	- the ability to critically evaluate evidence to support
	conclusions/recommendations, reviewing its reliability, validity and
	significance;
	- the ability to investigate contradictory information/identify reasons for
	contradictions;
	- confidence and flexibility in identifying and defining complex problems
	and can apply appropriate knowledge and skills to their solution.
Practical skills	- the ability to operate in complex and unpredictable contexts, requiring
	selection and application from a wide range of innovative or standard
	techniques;
	- the ability to act autonomously, with minimal direction or supervision,
	within agreed guidelines.

Transferable /	- the ability to interact effectively within a team, recognising, supporting
key skills	and being proactive in leadership, negotiating in a professional context
	and managing conflict;
	- the ability to manage own learning using full range of resources relevant
	to the discipline;
	- the ability to work professionally within the discipline;
	- confidence in the application of own criteria of judgement and the ability
	to challenge received opinion and reflect on action;
	- the ability to seek and make use of feedback;
	- the ability to select and manage information, competently undertaking
	reasonably straight-forward research tasks with minimum guidance;
	- the ability to take responsibility for own work and be self-critical;
	- the ability to engage effectively in debate in a professional manner and
	produce detailed and coherent project reports;
	- confidence and flexibility in identifying and defining complex problems
	and applying appropriate knowledge, tools/methods for their solution.