

Course Specification Postgraduate Certificate (unnamed)

Applicable from the 2022/23 academic year for courses under Postgraduate Taught Assessment Regulations, or by agreement of Senate.

COURSE AND AWARD DETAILS		
Course title	Postgraduate Certificate	
Awarding body	University of Bath	
Award	Postgraduate Certificate (PG Cert.)	
Award name	Postgraduate Certificate	
Course mode of delivery	N/A exit award	
Course length	Equivalent to one semester of full time study	
Entry point	N/A exit award Applicable from the 2022/23 academic year for courses under Postgraduate Taught Assessment Regulations, and specified assessment regulations by agreement of Senate. Aegrotat consideration possible under Ordinances 14.8 and 14.9.	
Main location of study	N/A exit award	
Professional accreditation	N/A exit award	
Alternative courses and Exit Awards	N/A	
Course assessment regulations	Postgraduate Taught Assessment Regulations, and specified assessment regulations by agreement of Senate.	
Course owning School/department	N/A exit award	
Course Director of Studies	N/A exit award	
COURSE DESCRIPTION		
Course summary	The overall aim is to recognise academic achievement at FHEQ level 7 where students do not complete their original course of study.	
Course approach	The Postgraduate Certificate (unnamed) may be awarded by the University, in line with the provisions of the Postgraduate	

	Taught Assessment Regulations, or as set out in relevant course specifications, as an exit award to those students who have met the requirements for the Postgraduate Certificate (unnamed) but do not or cannot continue with their original course of study.	
Learning and Teaching delivery and contact time	The content, teaching and learning methods for each unit will be delivered as articulated in each relevant unit description.	
Assessment / Award requirements	The assessment for each unit will be delivered as articulated in each relevant unit description.	
	The Postgraduate Certificate (unnamed) may be awarded if a student has passed 30 ECTS credits at FHEQ level 7. The units must be credit-bearing units approved by the University of Bath and taken as part of the student's degree course. Credit achieved through a placement or study abroad cannot contribute to the award of Postgraduate Certificate (unnamed), unless explicitly stated otherwise in the relevant Course Specification (for the original course of study). Assessment Regulations (and course specifications, where relevant) contain further detail. The Postgraduate Certificate (unnamed) may also be granted in extraordinary circumstances as an aegrotat award in line with the provisions of Ordinances 14.8 and 14.9, where the	
	student is deemed to have passed a relevant portion of their course's requirements at FHEQ level 7.	
Specialist facilities	N/A exit award	
Additional costs and extra requirements	N/A exit award	
Professional development	N/A exit award	
Placement/study abroad	N/A. Credit achieved through a placement or study abroad cannot contribute to the award of Postgraduate Certificate (unnamed), unless explicitly stated otherwise in the relevant Course Specification (for the original course of study).	
Careers	N/A exit award	

LEARNING OUTCOMES

The specific learning outcomes met by a student can be found in the relevant course and unit specifications. Holders of this qualification will have achieved specific unit-level learning outcomes for at least 30 credits of units, which will map to at least one course-level learning outcome.

The Postgraduate Certificate (unnamed) is a Framework for Higher Education Qualifications (FHEQ) Level 7 qualification and as such meets the requirements set out in the FHEQ at that level. In line with the FHEQ holders of this qualification will have demonstrated knowledge, intellectual skills, and transferable and professional skills commensurate with the following description, however they would have only successfully demonstrated a proportion of these:

Holders will typically have demonstrated the following:

- a systematic understanding of knowledge, and a critical awareness of current problems and/or new insights, much of which is at, or informed by, the forefront of their academic discipline, field of study or area of professional practice
- a comprehensive understanding of techniques applicable to their own research or advanced scholarship
- originality in the application of knowledge, together with a practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry are used to create and interpret knowledge in the discipline
- conceptual understanding that enables the student:
 - o to evaluate critically current research and advanced scholarship in the discipline
 - to evaluate methodologies and develop critiques of them and, where appropriate, to propose new hypotheses

Typically, holders will be able to:

- deal with complex issues both systematically and creatively, make sound judgements in the absence of complete data, and communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences
- demonstrate self-direction and originality in tackling and solving problems, and act autonomously in planning and implementing tasks at a professional or equivalent level
- continue to advance their knowledge and understanding, and to develop new skills to a high level.

And holders will have:

- the qualities and transferable skills necessary for employment requiring:
 - the exercise of initiative and personal responsibility
 - o decision-making in complex and unpredictable situations
 - o the independent learning ability required for continuing professional development

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