

These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's [core regulations for postgraduate programmes](#), and the [marking and classification conventions for postgraduate programmes](#).

MA Geography (Research Methods) (L8K507)

1. This programme is available at Durham City, in a full-time (12 months) or part-time (24 months) mode of study.
2. Candidates whose first language is not English are normally required to achieve an overall IELTS score of 7 with no element scoring less than 6.5. A TOEFL IBT – overall 102 with no element scoring less than 25 will also be accepted, as will an equivalent qualification. In all cases the relevant certificate should have been issued within two years of the start of the programme.

Programme structure

3. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

		Credit value
Dissertation~	GEOG40260	60
Philosophy and Theory in Contemporary Human Geography~	GEOG55330	30
Interdisciplinary Perspectives and Practices across Social Research	SOC159515	15
Research Frontiers in Human Geography	GEOG41315	15
†Quantitative Methods and Analysis	SGIA49915	15
†Qualitative Methods and Analysis	SOC158815	15
Using Geographical Skills and Techniques	GEOG56015	15

4. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 15 credits from List A (or 30 credits if meeting criteria† in point 3 above):

List A		Credit value
Advanced Ethnographic Research	ANTH47115	15
Multilevel Modelling	MATH43515	15
Simulating Data in R *	ANTH47315	15
Systematic Review	EDUC46715	15
Advanced Statistics for Psychology and the Behavioural Sciences	PSYC42315	15
Computational Social Science	SOC144115	15
Participatory Action Research	SOC143715	15

Assessment, progression and award

5. Candidates registered for the MA Research Methods who are in receipt of funding under the ESRC 1+3 Scheme will be considered for subsequent registration for the degree of PhD subject to successful completion of the MA programme and the meeting of all other ESRC requirements.
6. Modules Marked with a ~ must be passed at 50% or above; a mark of 40-49% cannot be compensated.
7. Modules marked with a * are not available in 2021-2022.
8. †Candidates with prior knowledge and understanding at an appropriate level (e.g. advanced undergraduate or equivalent) may take an alternative 15 credits from List A instead of EITHER (not both) modules marked†. If students do not take SGIA49915 Quantitative Methods and Analysis, the alternative 15 credit module MUST be quantitative; if students do not take SOC158815 Qualitative Methods and Analysis, the alternative 15 credit module MUST be qualitative.