

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 Research Methods (Politics, International Relations, Security) (L2KA07)**

1. This programme is available at Durham City in a full-time (12 months) or part-time (24 months) mode of study.
2. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

		<b>Credit value</b>
Empirical Research in Politics, International Relations and Security ~	<a href="#">SGIA40A30</a>	30
Interdisciplinary Perspectives and Practices across Social Science Research	<a href="#">SOCI59515</a>	15
†Quantitative Methods and Analysis	<a href="#">SGIA49915</a>	15
†Qualitative Methods and Analysis	<a href="#">SOCI58815</a>	15
Dissertation ~	<a href="#">SGIA47960</a>	60

3. 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 2 above):

<b>List A</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Advanced Ethnographic Research	<a href="#">ANTH47115</a>	15
Multilevel Modelling	<a href="#">MATH43515</a>	15
Simulating Data in R	<a href="#">ANTH47315</a>	15
Systematic Review	<a href="#">EDUC46715</a>	15
Advanced Statistics for Psychology and the Behavioural Sciences	<a href="#">PSYC42315</a>	15
Computational Social Science	<a href="#">SOCI44115</a>	15
Participatory Action Research	<a href="#">SOCI43715</a>	15

4. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 30 credits from List B or List C or List D:

<b>List B (Politics Pathway)</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Core Concepts in Political Science ~	<a href="#">SGIA48030</a>	30

<b>List C (International Relations Pathway)</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
International Relations Theory ~	<a href="#">SGIA49630</a>	30
International Organisations	<a href="#">SGIA49430</a>	30

<b>List D (Security Pathway)</b>		<b>Credit value</b>
Defence, Development and Diplomacy in Conflict: Evolving Actors, Factors and Paradigms ~	<a href="#">SGIA42515</a>	15
Conflict Prevention and Sustainable Peace ~	<a href="#">SGIA42615</a>	15
Peace Processes and Everyday Political Negotiation ~	<a href="#">SGIA42815</a>	15
Consolidating Peace After Violence ~	<a href="#">SGIA43015</a>	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. †Candidates with prior knowledge and understanding at the appropriate level may take an alternative 15 credit module from List A instead of EITHER (not both) modules marked†. If students do not take SGIA 49915 Quantitative Methods and Analysis, the alternative 15 credit module MUST be quantitative; if students do not take SOCI 58815 Qualitative Methods and Analysis, the alternative 15 credit module MUST be qualitative.