

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](#).

## Postgraduate Certificate in Research Methods (L3KE14)

1. Location: Durham City
2. Duration: 12 months (full-time) or 24 months (part-time). The programme's duration will normally be 12 months for full-time PhD students, who will take it alongside their PhD studies. Students are expected to complete the programme during year 1 of their PhD. Students who wish to take longer than 12 months, or who fail modules, may apply for a concession. Part-time PhD students would normally have 24 months to complete the programme.

### Programme structure

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

|   |                           | <b>Credit value</b> |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Interdisciplinary Perspectives and Practices Across Social Research | <a href="#">SOCI59515</a> | 15                  |
| †Quantitative Methods and Analysis                                  | <a href="#">SGIA49915</a> | 15                  |
| †Qualitative Methods and Analysis                                   | <a href="#">SOCI58815</a> | 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):

| <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                  |

### Assessment, progression and award

5. † 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 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.