Durham University
Postgraduate Modules Online
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Durham University Business School is accredited by the European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS) for a period of five years from 2022 and the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) for a period of five years from 2024.

MSc Behavioural Economics (L1T609)

1. This programme is available at Durham City in a full-time (12 months) mode of study.

Level 4 (Degree)

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

		Credit Value
Advanced Microeconomics ~	ECON44715	15
Behavioural Economics ~	ECON42515	15
Experimental Economics ~	ECON43415	15
Econometric Analysis ~	ECON41515	15
Advanced Topics in Behavioural Science ~	PSYC41830	30

3. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in one module to the value of 60 credits from List A:

List A		Credit Value
Dissertation (MSc Economics) ~	ECON47060	60
Dissertation (International) (MSc Economics) ~	ECON48060	60

4. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in the modules to the value of 30 credits from List B below (only a selection of these modules will be available each year):

List B		Credit Value
Development Economics	ECON44415	15
Data Analytics	ECON41G15	15
Environmental and Climate Economics	ECON40615	15
Game Theory	ECON44115	15
Industrial Organisation *	ECON44215	15
Machine Learning	ECON41H15	15
Microeconometrics	ECON47715	15
Natural Resource Economics	ECON44615	15
Behavioural and Neurofinance	FINN43615	15
Behavioural Insights for Public Policy	PSYC41915	15
Power and Influence	PSYC42115	15
A credit-bearing language module to the value of 20 credits offered by the Centre for Foreign Language Studies		20

Assessment, progression and award

5. There will be an assessment period in January/February for modules that are delivered in Term 1.

6. Candidates who have failed modules which are assessed in the January/February and/or May/June assessment period shall normally be required to resit all failed modules in the following August assessment period. Candidates whose failed modules are worth 30 or more credits may however elect to defer the submission of their dissertation until January of the following year.

7. No more than 75 credits may normally be undertaken in each of Term 1 and Term 2.

8. Candidates must submit a dissertation of not more than 12,000 words. Candidates who fail the dissertation on first submission in September may elect to resubmit in the following January/February as an alternative to the next normal occasion.

9. Modules marked with a ~ must be passed at 50% or above; a mark of 40-49% cannot be compensated.
10. Modules marked with a * are not available in 2026/27.
11. Students should check that optional modules taken in other Departments are timetable compatible.
12. Candidates who select a CFLS credit-bearing language module must select 185 credits in total.

Maths and Stats intensive course

13. As preparation for the programme, students will attend a Maths and Stats intensive course during the first two weeks of the Michaelmas Term. Students will be assessed at threshold level at the end of the course. This assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of degree, but successful completion is required to qualify for the MSc Behavioural Economics.