

General Regulations for Higher Degrees in the Faculty of Health

The content of our courses is reviewed annually to make sure it's up-to-date and relevant. Individual modules are occasionally updated or withdrawn. This is in response to discoveries through our world-leading research; funding changes; professional accreditation requirements; student or employer feedback; outcomes of reviews; and variations in staff or student numbers. In the event of any change the University will consult and inform students in good time and will take reasonable steps to minimise disruption.

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Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Medicine (MD)

1. A person may be admitted as candidate who is:
 - (a) the holder of the Degrees of MBChB of a University of at least three years' standing; *or*
 - (b) a recognised graduate in Medicine who holds a qualification conferring eligibility for full or provisional registration with the General Medical Council, and who at the time of registration holds an appointment as a full-time or part-time member of the established or honorary staff of the University; *or*
 - (c) a recognised graduate in Medicine of at least three years' standing who holds:
 - (i) a qualification conferring eligibility for full or provisional registration with the General Medical Council, and
 - (ii) a Higher Degree from this or another University.

2. The subject of the proposed thesis, together with an outline not exceeding five hundred words of the research work on which it will be based, shall be submitted to the Faculty prior to admission as a candidate. Such approval will require evidence that complexity, depth of study and learner autonomy have received consideration, and that completion of a substantial piece of research, or an advanced professional project is envisaged, in such a way as to make a significant or original contribution to a clinical or biomedical field of inquiry or practice. The research work may be carried out at the University, or another institution approved by the Faculty.
3. The programme of research shall be pursued for not less than the periods specified in Regulation 13 of the Regulations for Higher Degrees by Research.
4. The time-limit for the presentation of the thesis shall be as specified in Regulation 13 of the Regulations for the Higher Degrees by Research.
5. A candidate's registration for the Degree of MD will be considered probationary until such time as the candidate successfully passes the departmental Confirmation Review. A candidate may be permitted a maximum of two attempts to pass the Confirmation Review. A candidate who fails the Confirmation Review will be required to transfer to candidacy for the Degree of MPhil.
6. A candidate will be required to engage with the Doctoral Development Programme as prescribed in the Regulations for the Doctoral Development Programme. Such a candidate may not be permitted to pass the Confirmation Review unless the candidate has presented evidence demonstrating that they have undertaken an agreed programme of training and skills development and have achieved an appropriate level of competency as agreed by the supervisory team.

DENR93/SMPR012 Yorkshire Bioscience Doctoral Landscape Award (PhD) (DLA)

1. During the programme a student will take BIS601: Doctoral Training Placement. This will normally be completed during Year Two or Three.
2. In order to be eligible to attempt the viva examination, a student must have passed BIS601: Doctoral Training Placement.
3. In Years One to Four a student will pursue a programme of research in accordance with the General Regulations for Higher Degrees by Research and will present a thesis in accordance with those Regulations, with the exception of the minimum period of registration, which in this case will be three years.

HARR05/HARR06 Public Health, Economics and Decision Science (PhD) (Full-Time/Part-Time) (DTC)

1. A person may be admitted as a candidate in the following category:
 - a) full-time student candidate.
 - b) part-time student candidate.
2. In order to progress to the second year of study, a student must successfully complete the requirements of the first year of registration (and equivalent for part-time students), to include:
 - a) obtaining a total of not less than *sixty* credits of relevant Bachelor's and/or Master's Degrees.
 - b) completion of three research attachments, including submission of a reflexive account of the knowledge and skills acquired in each, to be assessed by the attachment lead supervisor.
 - c) identification of supervisors and development of a

research proposal that has been approved by the programme directors.

- d) regular participation in other learning activities that form part of the programme, including research away days and seminar programme.
3. In order to progress to the third year of study, a student must successfully pass the departmental Confirmation Review, a first attempt of which would normally take place between months 19-22 from a student's initial date of registration with the DTC (40-44 months for part-time students). Until such time a student's registration for the Degree of PhD will be considered probationary. A student may be permitted a maximum of two attempts to pass the Confirmation Review. The final decision regarding whether a student may be permitted to pass the Confirmation Review must be taken within 2 years of the students' initial registration (4 years for part-time students). A student who fails the Confirmation Review will be required to transfer to candidacy for the Degree of MPhil.
 4. A student who fails to satisfy the examiners in respect of a credit-bearing unit may enter for a subsequent examination in respect of the unit on one occasion only.
 5. In all other aspects of the programme, the Regulations for the Degree of PhD in all Faculties will apply.
3. In order to be eligible to attempt the viva examination, a student must have passed FCS603: Research in Practice.
 4. A student who has been awarded sixty credits in respect of units listed at (a) above and is ineligible for a research award, will be eligible for the award of PGCert in Social Research (White Rose DTP).
 5. A student who is not eligible for the award of PhD and who has been awarded sixty credits in respect of units listed at (a) above may submit for the award of MPhil with Integrated PGCert in Social Research.
 6. Any taught qualification made in an integrated form will not be classified.

HARR301/SMPR075, HCSR301/HESR014 White Rose Doctoral Training Partnership (PhD) (DTP)

1. During the programme a student will take FCS603: Research in Practice. This will normally be completed during Year Two.
2. In order to be eligible to attempt the viva examination, a student must have passed FCS603: Research in Practice.

HARR302/SMPR076, HCSR302/HESR015 White Rose Doctoral Training Partnership (PhD with Integrated PGCert) (DTP)

1. In Year One a student will take 60 credits from the following:

For students with an initial registration in 2024-25			
SMI607	F7	Principles of Research Design I	15
SMI622	F7	Principles of Research Design II	15
SMI605	F7	Introduction to Qualitative Research	15
SMI606	F7	Introduction to Quantitative Research	15
SMI601	F7	Advanced Quantitative Methods for Social Research	15
SMI609	F7	Advanced Qualitative Methods	15
SMI613	F7	Working Beyond Disciplines	15
For students with an initial registration from 2025-26			
EDC442	F7	Principles of Research Design	30
EDC473	F7	Introduction to Qualitative Research	15
EDC459	F7	Introduction to Quantitative Research	15
EDC466	F7	Advanced Quantitative Methods for Social Research	15
EDC460	F7	Advanced Qualitative Methods	15
EDC470	F7	Working Beyond Disciplines	15
2. Following the successful completion of the 60 credits of units listed in (a), a student will take FCS603: Research in Practice. This will normally be completed during Year Two.