

| Programme Aim and Title  | MBA International Business   |
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| Intermediate Awards Available  | PGCert, PGDip.   |
| Teaching Institution(s)  | UEL  |
| Alternative Teaching Institutions (for local arrangements see final section of this specification) | AKMI Metropolitan College, Greece<br>(Maroussi campus, Pireaus campus and<br>Thessaloniki campus)<br>Rheinische Fachhochschule, Germany<br>WIM College, Malaysia |
| UEL Academic School  | Royal Docks School of Business and Law   |
| UCAS Code  |  |
| Professional Body Accreditation  | RDSBL MBA programmes are accredited by the Chartered Institute of Management (CMI)   |
| Relevant QAA Benchmark Statements  | Master's Degrees in Business and<br>Management (2015)  |
| Additional Versions of this Programme  |  |
| Date Specification Last Updated  | July 2017  |
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## Programme Aims and Learning Outcomes

This programme is designed to give you the opportunity to:

- Provide students with a rigorous academic grounding in the core areas of business and management theory with specific emphasis on International Business and Management
- Expose students to key debates and current notions of good practice in each of the main subject areas
- Significantly enhance students' analytical ability and critical thinking ability in resolving business issues
- Equip students with strategic insight and leadership skills necessary to assume high-level positions in business and/or public sector organisations



#### What will you learn?

#### Knowledge:

- To develop a critical understanding of major theories, concepts, frameworks, and methods in the respective subject areas
- To demonstrate critical awareness of and ability to evaluate relevant theories in the respective subject areas
- To analyse and critically evaluate core contemporary ideas and practices in the respective subject areas
- To analyse contemporary policy and institutional issues relevant to the programme subject areas

### Thinking skills:

- To develop and demonstrate skills of analysis and synthesis in the appraisal or critique of practice and theory
- To critically evaluate relevant literature in the subject areas included in the programme
- To draw on a selection of current research and scholarship in the relevant discipline and apply it in a specific practical context
- To critically reflect on one's own and peers' practice and performance

#### Subject-Based Practical skills:

- To develop and demonstrate business research skills
- To develop and demonstrate technical skills related to financial analysis and accounting in the scope appropriate for general managers
- To critically evaluate business performance and offer recommendations for improvement from relevant theory and empirical evidence
- To design business and marketing strategies based on appropriate business and market analysis

#### Skills for life and work (general skills):

- To work as part of a team to achieve results in collaboration with others
- To develop leadership skills and ability to be self-reflexive about one's leadership skills
- To understand the need for continued professional development, plan and undertake relevant professional development activities
- To develop and implement appropriate career strategies



### Learning and Teaching

### Knowledge is developed through:

- Lectures, seminars, workshops
- · Guided reading and independent study
- Knowledge-based activities with feedback
- Company visits, invited speakers
- Supervised research project

#### Thinking skills are developed through:

- Lectures, seminars, workshops
- · Guided reading and independent study
- · Reflective activities with feedback
- · Structured exercises, tasks, and projects with feedback
- Group discussions and activities
- Supervised individual research project

### Practical skills are developed through:

- Structured exercises, tasks, and projects with feedback
- Group discussions and activities
- Research skills-based activities with feedback
- Supervised research project

#### Skills for life and work (general skills) are developed through:

- Planning activities with feedback
- Structured exercises, tasks, and projects with feedback
- Supervised research project

#### Assessment

#### Knowledge is assessed by:

- Coursework
- Presentations
- Written essays and reports
- Examinations
- Supervised research project



### Thinking skills are assessed by:

- Coursework
- Examinations
- Project work
- · Written reports, essays, and reflective essays
- Dissertation
- · Individual and team presentations

### Practical skills are assessed by:

- Written reports
- Portfolio completion
- Presentations
- Supervised research project

Skills for life and work (general skills) are assessed by:

- Reflective essays,
- Supervised research project
- Written reports
- Team and individual presentations

### Programme Structure

All programmes are credit-rated to help you to understand the amount and level of study that is needed.

One credit is equal to 10 hours of directed study time (this includes everything you do e.g. lecture, seminar and private study).

Credits are assigned to one of 5 levels:

3 Equivalent in standard to GCE 'A' level and is intended to prepare students for year one of an undergraduate degree programme.



- 4 Equivalent in standard to the first year of a full-time undergraduate degree programme.
- 5 Equivalent in standard to the second year of a full-time undergraduate degree programme.
- 6 Equivalent in standard to the third year of a full-time undergraduate degree programme.
- 7 Equivalent in standard to a Masters degree.

Programmes are made up of modules that are each credit weighted.

The module structure of this programme:

| Level | Module<br>Code | Module Title                           | Credit<br>Weighting | Core/Option | Available by Distance Learning? |
|-------|----------------|--|---------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| 7     | AC7236         | Accounting and Finance for Managers    | 15                  | Core        | N                               |
| 7     | HR7240         | Managing and<br>Leading People         | 15                  | Core        | N                               |
| 7     | MK7245         | Operations, Networks, and Partnerships | 15                  | Core        | N                               |
| 7     | LA7201         | Corporate Social<br>Responsibility     | 15                  | Core        | N                               |
| 7     | MK7246         | Marketing in the Digital Age           | 15                  | Core        | N                               |
| 7     | SG7250         | Strategic Leadership                   | 15                  | Core        | N                               |



| 7 | HR7241   | Professional<br>Development                  | 15 | Core   | N |
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| 7 | HR7242   | Managing Across<br>Cultures                  | 15 | option | Z |
| 7 | LA7202*  | Corporate<br>Governance and<br>Globalization | 15 | option | N |
| 7 | SG7210** | Information Systems                          | 15 | option | N |
| 7 | MK7247   | Dissertation                                 | 60 | core   | N |

Please note: Optional modules might not run every year, the programme team will decide on an annual basis which options will be running, based on student demand and academic factors, in order to create the best learning experience.

\*Please note: module LA7202 is the only option module offered at AKMI Metropolitan College and WIM College

\*\*Please note: module SG7210 is the only option module offered at Rheinische Fachhochschule

Additional detail about the programme module structure:

A core module for a programme is a module which a student must have passed (i.e. been awarded credit) in order to achieve the relevant named award. An optional module for a programme is a module selected from a range of modules available on the programme.

The programme will consist of 180 credits distributed among eight core modules and one elective module. All core and elective modules will be delivered on a block basis following a pattern of evening (5pm till 9pm) and weekend delivery. This is to enable flexibility of study required by students who combine work and study.

#### **Typical Duration**

The duration of this programme is two calendar years (part-time). The time limit for completion of a programme is six years after first enrolment on the programme.



Two modules will be delivered in one semester and there will be 5 semesters in the programme duration. Students will be expected to have successfully completed all modules before attempting the Dissertation.

Part-time with weekend classes. Classes are held minimum 2 weekends in a month [Saturday – half day afternoon and Sunday – full day (day time)]

#### **Further Information**

More information about this programme is available from:

- The UEL web site (<a href="http://www.uel.ac.uk">http://www.uel.ac.uk</a>);
- The student handbook
- Module study guides
- UEL Manual of General Regulations <a href="http://www.uel.ac.uk/qa/">http://www.uel.ac.uk/qa/</a>;
- UEL Quality Manual <a href="http://www.uel.ac.uk/ga/">http://www.uel.ac.uk/ga/</a>;
- Regulations for the Academic Framework <a href="http://www.uel.ac.uk/academicframework/">http://www.uel.ac.uk/academicframework/</a>;
- School web pages <a href="https://www.uel.ac.uk/Schools/Royal-Docks">https://www.uel.ac.uk/Schools/Royal-Docks</a>
- RFH MBA website <a href="http://www.rfh-koeln.de/study/course\_of\_studies/wirtschaft-recht/master-of-business-administration/index\_eng.html">http://www.rfh-koeln.de/study/course\_of\_studies/wirtschaft-recht/master-of-business-administration/index\_eng.html</a>
- WIM MBA website <a href="http://www.wimcollege.edu.my/the-uel-mba/master-of-business-administration/">http://www.wimcollege.edu.my/the-uel-mba/master-of-business-administration/</a>

All UEL programmes are subject to thorough programme approval procedures before we allow them to commence. We also constantly monitor, review and enhance our programmes by listening to student and employer views and the views of external examiners and advisors.

#### Alternative Locations of Delivery

This programme is also taught by AKMI Metropolitan College (Greece), Rheinische Fachhochschule (Germany) and WIM College, Malaysia and awarded by the University of East London