



Programme Specification

Information Management [Sep][PT][Frenchay][2yrs]

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Section 1: Key Programme Details

Part A: Programme Information

Programme title: Information Management [Sep][PT][Frenchay][2yrs]

Highest award: MSc Information Management

Interim award: PGCert Information Management

Interim award: PGDip Information Management

Awarding institution: UWE Bristol

Affiliated institutions: Not applicable

Teaching institutions: UWE Bristol

Study abroad: No

Year abroad: No

Sandwich year: No

Credit recognition: No

Department responsible for the programme: FET Dept of Computer Sci & Creative Tech, Faculty of Environment & Technology

Contributing departments: Not applicable

Professional, statutory or regulatory bodies:

Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (CILIP)

Apprenticeship: Not applicable

Mode of delivery: Part-time

Entry requirements: For the current entry requirements see the UWE public website

For implementation from: 01 September 2018

Programme code: P11012-SEP-PT-FR-P11012

Section 2: Programme Overview, Aims and Learning Outcomes

Part A: Programme Overview, Aims and Learning Outcomes

Overview: The course includes a range of career-oriented activities, including:

An overview of the process of attaining CILIP chartership for those planning to proceed with this qualification;

Educational Aims: The broad aims of the Programme are to:

Provide suitable advanced level training for librarians, information managers and a range of allied roles, underpinned by staff expertise, research and experience

Enable students to deepen and broaden theoretical knowledge, understanding and analytical abilities in a stimulating and challenging academic environment, informed by current research in the sector

Prepare students for senior and management roles in information environments through providing technical skills and the ability to work with stakeholders to manage resources, formulate solutions and deliver projects

Cater to the changing demands on information experts as flexible, proactive providers of knowledge management services, digital/information literacy training, data management and value-added information processing, synthesis and dissemination

To develop students' abilities reflectively to undertake independent research and continuous professional development

To enable students to engage confidently in academic and professional communication with others

These aims will be achieved through:

Providing a grounding in salient theories of information and information interaction

Providing up-to-date exposure to contemporary tools and methods

Balancing the emphasis between core sector competencies and generic skills enabling the successful marketing and communication of information services

Linking traditional knowledge organisation skills with modern approaches enabled by the internet and digital documents and media

Involving practitioners and subject-matter experts in teaching and assessment

Linking information management work with advances in computer science and information systems

Exposing students to a range of career options afforded by the specialization.

Programme Learning Outcomes:

Knowledge and Understanding

- A1. The role and function of a broad range of information services, including academic and public libraries, learning resource centres, corporate and public sector services
- A2. Traditional and contemporary approaches to knowledge organisation and information retrieval
- A3. Key issues in knowledge, information and data management
- A4. Information governance, legal and ownership Issues
- A5. Educational and psychological theory / frameworks relating to literacies
- A6. Best practice in the selection, curation/management and preservation of physical and digital collections

A7. User-centered approaches to service design

Intellectual Skills

- B1. Assessment of user information needs and requirements capture
- B2. Designing and conduct of qualitative and quantitative research and data analysis
- B3. Finding, analysing, synthesising, evaluating, abstracting and summarising information
- B4. Appreciating problem contexts and balancing conflicting objectives
- B5. Creativity and Innovation

Subject/Professional Practice Skills

- C1. Selection and application of metadata and classification schemes to information objects
- C2. Providing reader development and information/digital literacy training
- C3. Collection development and evaluation
- C4. Design, selection and use of VLEs, LMSs and digital collection management systems
- C5. Web/data design frameworks, lifecycle and technical development
- C6. Specification and design of databases

Transferable Skills and other attributes

- D1. Self-management
- D2. Leadership and team working
- D3. Strategic planning, policy-making and evaluation
- D4. People, project and financial management
- D5. Customer service
- D6. Marketing, advocacy and demonstrating value-added

- D7. Working with stakeholders and communities
- D8. ICT, communication and people-networking skills
- D9. Continuing professional development and independent learning

Part B: Programme Structure

Year 1

Year 1 Compulsory Modules

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UFCFKD-15-M	Information and Digital Literacy 2021-22	15
UFCFJD-30-M	Information Contexts 2021-22	30
UFCFQD-15-M	Personal and Organisational Management 2021-22	15

Year 2

Year 2 Compulsory Modules

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UBLLY7-60-M	Dissertation 2022-23	60
UFCFLD-30-M	Knowledge Organisation 2022-23	30

Year 2 Optional Modules

Students must choose 30 credits (2 of the following):

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UFCF8H-15-M	Big Data 2022-23	15
UFCFKR-15-M	Business Intelligence and Data Visualisation 2022-23	15
UFCFEY-15-M	Data and Information Governance 2022-23	15

UFCE8J-15-M	Designing the User Experience 2022-23	15
UFCEGD-15-M	Knowledge Management 2022-23	15
UFCEFLJ-15-M	Linked, Open Data and the Internet of Things 2022-23	15
UFCEJJ-15-M	Social Media and Web Science 2022-23	15

Part C: Higher Education Achievement Record (HEAR) Synopsis

Part D: External Reference Points and Benchmarks

Description of how the following reference points and benchmarks have been used in the design of the programme:

The programme design and module specifications have been extensively guided by the new CILIP Professional Skills and Knowledge Base (PKSB). The PKSB was recently thoroughly refreshed in a yearlong exercise involving consultation with employers, library schools and graduates. It contains a benchmark-like statement of core and generic skills required by the information professional. The PKSB will be used to map module content during the CILIP accreditation review (2015/6). It is therefore essential that course content reflects the PKSB competencies in a rounded manner.

QAA Benchmark statements on assessment design have been followed in designing an assessment regime that uses mixed methods and incorporates peer review and feedback.

The programme adheres to UWE's Academic Regulations and Procedures and assessment is guided by UWE's Online assessment Policy and the Word Count Policy. Dissertation projects are required to follow the guidance laid down in the Research Ethics Committee Policy

Part E: Regulations

Approved to University Regulations and Procedures