

**Programme Specification Pro-forma (PSP)**

**1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

<b>1. Programme Title:</b>	Risk Management
<b>2. Final Award:</b>	BA/BA(HONS) in Risk Management
<b>3. Exit Awards:</b>	Certificate of Higher Education Diploma of Higher Education BA Risk Management BA(HONS) Risk Management
<b>4. Awarding Body:</b>	Glasgow Caledonian University
<b>5. Approval Date:</b>	March 2016
<b>6. School:</b>	Caledonian Business School
<b>7. Host Department</b>	Law, Economic, Accounting & Risk
<b>8. UCAS Code:</b>	N291
<b>9. PSB Involvement:</b>	Chartered Insurance Institute Institute of Risk Management
<b>10. Place of Delivery:</b>	Glasgow Caledonian University (FT and PT)
<b>11. Subject Benchmark Statement:</b>	QAA Benchmarks for Business and Management
<b>12. Dates of PSP Preparation/Revision:</b>	June 2016

**2. EDUCATIONAL AIMS OF THE PROGRAMME**

The over-arching aim of the programme, is to provide a high quality, degree level education in Risk Management. This equips students with both conceptual underpinning as well as vocationally relevant skills and knowledge. In addition, graduates will learn the necessary business and managerial skills to develop a successful career in their chosen field. The programme must also meet the students' aspirations and needs, as well as providing employable and motivated graduates to the labour market. The particular pathway chosen by students will determine specific learning outcomes that are designed to reflect student learning to Honours level. The programme is vocationally relevant and academically challenging, developing in students a detailed understanding of the practices of risk management and the ability to evaluate critically theories and empirical evidence concerning the effects of risk and risk management on organisations and on society.

In pursuit of this aim, the programme seeks to achieve a number of objectives.

**General Objectives**

The programme seeks to

1. Provide graduates with the knowledge and skills appropriate to the practice of risk management in preparation for a career in the broad area of Risk Management, or in a related area.
2. Develop the students' competence in, and provide a comprehensive grounding in, the core concepts of Risk Management
3. Stimulate an enquiring, analytical and creative approach to Risk Management issues, and to encourage independent judgement and critical self-awareness.
4. Produce self motivated students with the necessary transferable skills to succeed in a wide range of employment situations.
5. Provide the students with the skills to adapt and respond positively to change.

6. Enhance the development of the students' interpersonal skills
7. Within the context of the necessity of covering core subject areas, offer flexibility in terms of module choice.
8. Provide access, with advanced standing in clearly defined circumstances, to students completing appropriate Further Education programmes.

### **Educational Objectives**

In order to help ensure that progressive development of knowledge, skills and competencies takes place, the overall aims and objectives of the programme have been translated into Educational Objectives, which apply on a cumulative basis across each level of the programme. These are as follows

1. Students completing a Risk Management programme must be familiar with the broad range of general theories and concepts relating to risk and uncertainty, and to the practice of Risk Management in both the public and private sectors.
2. Students should be able to employ research techniques, as well as problem-solving and analytical skills, appropriate to their level of study of Risk Management.
3. Students must be able to apply theories and concepts as a means of understanding the 'real life' practice of Risk Management, across a range of organisations, nationally and internationally. In doing so, students must be able to identify sources and types of data, and the appropriate methods to collect them, as well as being able to critically assess the usefulness and limitations of such data.
4. Students must be able to apply problem-solving skills to practical problems and scenarios that are encountered in Risk Management. In doing so, students should be able to adapt academic knowledge and skills to meet the practical needs of an organisational environment.
5. As part of the process of developing the aptitudes mentioned above, students will be provided with a range of opportunities, integrated within the programme, to develop the full range of personal transferable skills necessary to operate effectively in the world of work.
6. As the Risk Management degree is highly vocational, all available means of enhancing this aspect of the programme will be encouraged. This will include industry visits, external speakers and work experience opportunities during the summer vacation period.
7. As Risk Management is a broad discipline, post-entry choice is structured in such a way that students have the opportunity to develop combinations and pathways of programme-specific modules that meet their career aspirations or developing interests in areas such as health and safety, insurance/financial services and public sector risk management.

These objectives make explicit what was previously implicit in the design of the programme and they are intended to help academic staff in the preparation and delivery of modules – most particularly where a subject is progressively developed over two or more levels of the programme. They are also intended to help students monitor their own learning as they progress through the programme.

#### 4. PROGRAMME STRUCTURES AND REQUIREMENTS, LEVELS, MODULES, CREDITS AND AWARDS

<b>SHE 1 Level</b>		<b>Credit</b>
M1N322826	Managing Risk In Society and Business	20
M1L122828	Introduction to Economics and Data Analysis	20
M1M222497	Law In Business	20
M1N322542	Fundamentals In Financial Management	20
M1L122839	Employability, Enterprise and the Professions	20
M1L322566	The Business of Social Science	20
<b>Exit Award</b>	<b>Certificate of Higher Education</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>SHE 2 Level</b>		
M2N222803	Risk Analysis & Control Techniques	20
M2N322830	Managing Liability Risk Exposures	20
M2N322834	Contemporary Issues in Risk management	20
M2N422797	Ethics in Society and Business	20
	Option – Finance, Law, Economics, Financial Services or management	20
M2L122838	Critical Thinking and Problem Solving	20
<b>Exit Award</b>	<b>Diploma of Higher Education</b>	<b>240</b>
<b>SHE 3 Level</b>		
M3N322793	Managing Ethics, Compliance and Conduct Risks	20
M3N322802	Business Continuity Management & Planning	20
M3N322843	Risk, Retention & Insurance	20
M3N322800	Project Management & Risk	20
TBA	Option – Finance, Law, Economics, Financial Services or management	20
M3N224560	Business Research Methods and Skills	20
<b>Exit Award</b>	<b>BA Risk Management</b>	<b>360</b>
<b>SHEH Level</b>		
MHN322791	Managing Health, Safety & Hygiene	20
MHN222557	Dissertation	40
<b>Two Risk Options should be taken:</b>		
MHN322832	Strategic and Operational Risk Management	20
MHN322801	Managing Public Sector Risk	20
MHN322836	Risk And Society	20
MHN322800	Managing Risk In International Business	20
<b>One option from the following:</b>		
TBA	Option – Finance, Law, Economics, Financial Services or management	20
<b>Exit Award</b>	<b>BA (Hons) Risk Management</b>	<b>480</b>

## **8. ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS**

The Glasgow Caledonian University Assessment Regulations

### **Undergraduate Programmes**

<http://www.gcu.ac.uk/media/gcalwebv2/theuniversity/gag/gaqfiles/assessmentregulations/University%20Assessment%20%20Regulations%202014-15%20Undergraduate.pdf>

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