

Course Specification

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Core Information

Awarding Body / Institution:	University of Wolverhampton		
School / Institute:	School of Social, Historical and Political Studies		
Course Code(s):	LW030H35UD	Part-time Distance Learning	6 Years
Course Title:	BSc (Hons) Fire and Rescue (Distance Learning)		
Hierarchy of Awards:	Bachelor of Science with Honours Fire and Rescue (Distance Learning) Bachelor of Science Fire and Rescue (Distance Learning) Diploma of Higher Education Fire and Rescue (Distance Learning) Certificate of Higher Education Fire and Rescue (Distance Learning) University Statement of Credit University Statement of Credit		
Language of Study:	English		
Date of DAG approval:	05/Oct/2015		
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Course Specification valid from:	2014/5		
Course Specification valid to:	2027/8		

Academic Staff

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Course Information

Location of Delivery:	University of Wolverhampton
Category of Partnership:	Not delivered in partnership
Teaching Institution:	University of Wolverhampton
Open / Closed Course:	This course is open to all suitably qualified candidates.

Entry Requirements:

Entry requirements are subject to regular review. The entry requirements applicable to a particular academic year will be published on the University website (and externally as appropriate e.g. UCAS)

2017 Entry

- 'A' levels at grades BBC - CCC
- BTEC QCF Extended Diploma grade MMM, BTEC QCF Diploma grade DD
- Access to HE Diploma full award (Pass of 60 credits - of which a minimum of 45 credits must be at level 3 including 18 at Merit or Distinction).
- If you've got other qualifications or relevant experience, please contact [The Gateway](#) for further advice before applying.
- Successful completion of the foundation year of our [BA \(Hons\) Law and Social Sciences with Foundation Year](#) guarantees entry on to this course
- International entry requirements and application guidance can be found [here](#)
- Successful completion of the [International Foundation Year in Social Sciences](#) guarantees entry on to this course

Other Requirements

Students must have studied a minimum of two years post GCSE level. However, it is expected that some applicants will be mature students with work experience, who wish to further their career development. These applicants will be processed through standard procedures, which may involve an interview as part of the process. Please see <http://wlv.ac.uk/mature> for further information.

Those who do not meet the entry requirements may be offered an alternative course

Distinctive Features of the Course:

It is believed that this degree is the first vocationally focussed undergraduate programme for the fire and rescue services. It has been specifically designed in consultation with relevant professional and industry bodies to offer students an opportunity to acquire the necessary academic skills to equip them for a professional career in the fire & rescue services.

Educational Aims of the Course:

The BSc (Hons) Fire & Rescue degree is a vocationally focussed programme intended to prepare students for employment within the fire & rescue services and enhancing existing members of the emergency services career prospects and professional skills. It will enable students to critically assess the operational requirements of local authority fire and rescue services through a problem-solving approach and present the outcomes in a structured and coherent manner.

Intakes:

September
January

Major Source of Funding:

Office for Students (OFS)

Tuition Fees:

Tuition fees are reviewed on an annual basis. The fees applicable to a particular academic year will be published on the University website.

Year	Status	Mode	Amount
2020/1	H	Part Time	£3050.00
2020/1	Overseas	Part Time	£6125.00
2021/2	H	Part Time	£3100.00
2022/3	H	Part Time	£3120.00

PSRB:

None

Course Structure:

September (Part-time Distance Learning)

Full time and Sandwich Undergraduate Honours students normally study 120 credits per academic year; 60 credits semester 1 and 60 credits semester 2.

Module	Title	Credits	Period	Type
4FF004	Introduction to the Fire and Rescue Service	20	SEM1	Core
4FF003	Fire Engineering Science Study Skills	20	SEM1	Core
4FF006	Fire Risk Management	20	SEM1	Core
4FF005	Introduction to Fire Leadership and Command	20	SEM2	Core
4FF002	Fire Dynamics and Suppression	20	SEM2	Core
4FF007	Fire Engineering Science	20	SEM2	Core

September (Part-time Distance Learning)

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Module	Title	Credits	Period	Type
5FF009	Emergency Planning	20	SEM1	Core
5FF006	Hazardous Materials and the Environment	20	SEM1	Core
5FF007	Fire Scene Investigation	20	SEM1	Core
5FF010	Operational Fire Leadership and Command	20	SEM2	Core
5FF011	Specialist Fire and Rescue Services	20	SEM2	Core
5FF008	Community Safety and Social Policy	20	SEM2	Core

September (Part-time Distance Learning)

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Module	Title	Credits	Period	Type
6FF010	Fire and Rescue Service Law	20	SEM1	Core
6FF012	Strategic Fire Leadership and Command	20	SEM1	Core
6FF011	Fire Safety in the Built Environment	20	SEM1	Core
6FF001	Fire and Rescue Project	20	SEM2	Core
6FF008	Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue Service	20	SEM2	Core
6FF013	Interoperability and Collaboration	20	SEM2	Core

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

Learning, Teaching and Assessment

Academic Regulations Exemption:

Reference Points:

- QAA Quality Code
- National Occupational Standards Fire and Rescue Services

Overview of Assessment:

Learning Outcomes	Modules
CERTHE01 Demonstrate knowledge of the underlying concepts and principles associated with your area(s) of study, and an ability to evaluate and interpret these within the context of that area of study	4FF002 Fire Dynamics and Suppression 4FF003 Fire Engineering Science Study Skills 4FF004 Introduction to the Fire and Rescue Service 4FF005 Introduction to Fire Leadership and Command 4FF006 Fire Risk Management 4FF007 Fire Engineering Science 6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project 6FF008 Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue

Learning Outcomes

Service Modules

6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law
6FF011 Fire Safety in the Built Environment
6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command
6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration
5FF006 Hazardous Materials and the Environment
5FF007 Fire Scene Investigation
5FF008 Community Safety and Social Policy
5FF009 Emergency Planning
5FF010 Operational Fire Leadership and Command
5FF011 Specialist Fire and Rescue Services
6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project
6FF008 Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue Service
6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law
6FF011 Fire Safety in the Built Environment
6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command
6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration

CERTHE02 Demonstrate an ability to present, evaluate and interpret qualitative and quantitative data, in order to develop lines of argument and make sound judgements in accordance with basic theories and concepts of your subject(s) of study.

4FF002 Fire Dynamics and Suppression
4FF003 Fire Engineering Science Study Skills
4FF004 Introduction to the Fire and Rescue Service
4FF005 Introduction to Fire Leadership and Command
4FF006 Fire Risk Management
4FF007 Fire Engineering Science
6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project
6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law
6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command
6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration
5FF006 Hazardous Materials and the Environment
5FF007 Fire Scene Investigation
5FF008 Community Safety and Social Policy
5FF009 Emergency Planning
5FF010 Operational Fire Leadership and Command
5FF011 Specialist Fire and Rescue Services
6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project
6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law
6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command
6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration

CERTHE03 Evaluate the appropriateness of different approaches to solving problems related to your area(s) of study and/or work

6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project
6FF008 Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue Service
6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law
6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command
6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration
5FF006 Hazardous Materials and the Environment
5FF007 Fire Scene Investigation
5FF008 Community Safety and Social Policy
5FF009 Emergency Planning
5FF010 Operational Fire Leadership and Command
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6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project
6FF008 Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue Service
6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law
6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command
6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration

CERTHE04 Communicate the results of your study/work accurately and reliably, and with structured and coherent arguments

6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project
6FF008 Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue Service
6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law
6FF011 Fire Safety in the Built Environment
6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command
6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration
5FF006 Hazardous Materials and the Environment

Learning Outcomes

5FF007 Fire Scene Investigation

Modules

5FF008 Community Safety and Social Policy

5FF009 Emergency Planning

5FF010 Operational Fire Leadership and Command

5FF011 Specialist Fire and Rescue Services

6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project

6FF008 Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue Service

6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law

6FF011 Fire Safety in the Built Environment

6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command

6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration

CERTHE05 Demonstrate the qualities and transferable skills necessary for employment requiring the exercise of some personal responsibility

6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project

6FF008 Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue Service

6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law

6FF011 Fire Safety in the Built Environment

6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command

6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration

6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project

6FF008 Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue Service

6FF010 Fire and Rescue Service Law

6FF011 Fire Safety in the Built Environment

6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command

6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration

DIPHE01 Demonstrate knowledge and critical understanding of the well-established principles of your area(s) of study, and of the way in which those principles have developed with an understanding of the limits of your knowledge, and how this influences analyses and interpretations based on that knowledge.

6FF001 Fire and Rescue Project

6FF008 Operational Risk Management in the Fire and Rescue Service

6FF012 Strategic Fire Leadership and Command

6FF013 Interoperability and Collaboration

DIPHE02 Demonstrate the ability to apply underlying concepts and principles outside the context in which they were first studied, including, where appropriate, the application of those principles in an employment context.

DIPHE03 Demonstrate knowledge of the main methods of enquiry in the subject(s) relevant to the named award, and ability to evaluate critically the appropriateness of different approaches to solving problems in the field of study.

DIPHE04 Use a range of established techniques to initiate and undertake critical analysis of information, and to propose solutions to problems arising from that analysis.

DIPHE05 Effectively communicate information, arguments and analysis in a variety of forms to specialist and non-specialist audiences, and deploy key techniques of the discipline effectively.

DIPHE06 Demonstrate the qualities and transferable skills necessary for employment, requiring the exercise of personal responsibility and decision-making and undertake further training, developing existing skills and acquire new competences that will enable them to assume significant responsibility within organisations.

Teaching, Learning and Assessment:

For distance learning courses, students will be engaged in a variety of ways: online lectures, workbook exercises, powerpoint presentations, on-line group discussions and tutorials with teaching staff. Opportunities for formative assessment and feedback will be built into learning sessions.

Students who are not already working in the fire and rescue service will be encouraged to take on some related voluntary work to enhance their learning. Through this learning experience students will learn to become digitally literate and global citizens who are both enterprising and knowledgeable.

Assessment Methods:

At the University of Wolverhampton, a variety of modes of assessment will be used to support and test your learning and progress and to help you develop capabilities that are valued beyond your University studies and into your working life. Your course may include a variety of assessment activities:

Written examinations (including online examinations, open and closed book examinations and quizzes)
Coursework (for example, essays, reports, portfolios, project proposals and briefs, CVs, poster presentation)
Practical (for example, oral and video presentations, laboratory work, performances, practical skills assessment)

In the final year of your undergraduate degree, and at the end of your postgraduate degree, you are likely to be expected to write an extended piece of work or research, such as a dissertation or a practice-based piece of research.

Student Support:

Due to the distance learning nature of the programme a real emphasis will be placed upon ensuring students are offered significant levels of remote tutor support and individual coaching within FoSS. This will include a focus upon academic staff facilitating individual and group tutorials and study skill sessions with students via internet facilities.

Employability in the Curriculum:

This programme has been specifically designed to prepare students for employment within the fire & rescue services and to enhance the skills and knowledge of existing staff within the industry.

