

**THE SCHOOL OF ARTS, LANGUAGES & CULTURES  
PROGRAMME STRUCTURE**

For students studying on programme:	<b>MSc International Disaster Management</b>
Level of study:	<b>Postgraduate</b>
Academic year of study:	<b>2026/27</b>
Programme Code:	<b>07803 (full time), 07804 (part time)</b>
Plan Code:	<b>09910 (full time), 09911 (part time)</b>
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Contact:	If you have any questions about this structure, please contact <a href="mailto:salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk">salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk</a> , including in your subject <b>FAO HCRI</b>

**Please note:**

**Course Credits**

When choosing course units, you must ensure you select:

Full-time students select 180 credits

Part-time students select 60 credits in Year 1 and 120 credits in Year 2

- Part-time students take HCRI60141 in Year 1 and HCRI60170 in Year 2
- HCRI60262 (Disaster Politics) can be taken in Year 1 or Year 2.

**Course Units Outside HCRI**

Students may take only one non-HCRI/SALC coded course unit per semester.

If you are part-time, you can take a maximum of two non-HCRI SALC coded course units over two years.

The list below includes examples of non-HCRI/SALC coded courses that may interest MSc IDM students.

However, students are permitted to take other courses from across the university if they receive permission from the course lecturer and the PGT Programme Director ([stephanie.sodero@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:stephanie.sodero@manchester.ac.uk)).

**Course Unit Descriptions**

More information about each of the course units listed below can be found [here](#).

**Course Unit Offerings**

Note that the actual **course units offered each year varies**, subject to the availability of teaching lecturers and other factors. If you are particularly interested in a specific course unit in the coming academic year, email [salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk) to confirm that this course unit will be available. For part-time students, note that we cannot confirm Year 2 course offerings.

1: You will be automatically enrolled onto the following course units		Credit
<b>HCRI60141</b>	Disaster Management: Theory and Application	15
<b>HCRI60261</b>	Disaster Politics	15
<b>HCRI60170</b>	Research and Evaluation Methods	15
<b>HCRI60000</b>	Dissertation	60

2: The remaining 75 credits should be chosen from this list of optional course units. Please note that students may take one non-HCRI/SALC coded option per semester.			<b>Credit</b>
<b>SEMESTER 1</b>			
<b>HCRI60031</b>	Humanitarianism and Conflict Response: Inquiries		15
<b>HCRI60071</b>	Geographical Information Systems and Disasters: A Critical Introduction		15
<b>HCRI61141</b>	Economics, Peace and Conflict		15
<b>HCRI61301</b>	Vital Mobilities: Delivering Healthcare in a Changing Climate		15
<b>HCRI61201</b>	History of Humanitarian Aid		15
<b>MGDI60801</b>	Key Issues in Environment and Development		15
<b>MGDI60731</b>	Migration, Mobility and Displacement in the Contemporary World		15
<b>SEMESTER 2</b>			
<b>HCRI63222</b>	Systemic Approaches to Disaster Management		15
<b>HCRI62222</b>	Gender, Race and Security		15
<b>HCRI64402</b>	Understanding Environmental Hazards		15
<b>HCRI60412</b>	Climate Change, Resilience and Environmental Justice		15
<b>MGDI60552</b>	Climate, Environment and Development		15
<b>MGDI71992</b>	Characteristics and Skills of Development Practice		15
<b>POLI71142</b>	The Politics of Global Climate		15

### 3: Optional Distance Learning Units

You can select from the below list of distance learning modules. If you are an on-campus student, you may only select a **maximum of one online learning unit** throughout the entirety of your degree.

These course units do not run in line with the traditional semester timing. They entail predominately **independent study**, with no face-to-face learning. A full breakdown for the teaching period and of the teaching and learning requirements will be available in course unit handbooks.

**\* To qualify for HCRI70040, you will need to have some professional humanitarian experience.** If you believe you meet this pre-requisite, you must email the course unit director, Bertrand.Taithe@manchester.ac.uk for permission to enrol. If granted, please forward this email to [salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk) with 'FAO HCRI' in subject header.

#### SEMESTER 1 / BLOCK 1

<b>HCRI70040</b>	Critical Approaches to the Management Humanitarian Operations * <i>See above pre-requisite.</i>	29 Sep – 7 Dec	15
<b>HCRI74000</b>	Health Systems & Markets	29 Sep – 7 Dec	15
<b>HCRI77000</b>	Risk, Vulnerability & Resilience	29 Sep – 7 Dec	15

#### SEMESTER 2 / BLOCK 2A

<b>HCRI70112</b>	The Triple Nexus	5 Jan – 15 Mar	15
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#### SEMESTER 2 / BLOCK 2B

<b>HCRI76000</b>	Management & Leadership in Humanitarianism	23 Mar – 7 Jun	15
<b>HCRI71000</b>	Community Approaches to Health	23 Mar – 7 Jun	15

### 4: Non-Credited Course Units

All PGT students in the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures (SALC) will be automatically enrolled upon the following course units. You will receive more information regarding these course units at the beginning of the academic year

<b>SALC60000</b>	Postgraduate Skills Training
<b>SALC61230</b>	The School of Arts, Languages & Cultures PG Health and Safety Unit
<b>SALC61240</b>	SALC Academic Malpractice

