# MSc Clinical Neuroscience Practice part-time schedule – example timetable

180 credits total across 2 years.

# **Compulsory modules:**

- Foundations of Clinical Neuroscience module (30 credits)
- At least one of:
  - Clinical neuropsychology (30 credits)
  - Health Service Delivery for the Neurosciences (30 credits)
- At least one of the four Common Postgraduate Framework (CPF) modules (15 credits)
- Dissertation (60 credits)
- *Clinical placement* (15credits). Compulsory for psychology graduates, optional for qualified healthcare professionals.

# **Proposed timetable:**

# <u>Year 1</u>

### Semester 1

Foundations of Clinical Neuroscience module (30 credits) - Fridays

| Activity                 | Format                            | Description the activity                 | Hours by<br>week |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|------------------|
| Lectures, seminars       | Online pre-recorded and in-person | Scheduled learning and teaching          | 50 total         |
| Guided independent study |                                   | Directed and student self-directed study | 250 total        |
|                          |                                   | Total                                    | 300              |

Dissertation planning - picking project and supervisor

### Semester 2

Neuropsychology module (30 credits) – Tuesdays

| Activity  | Format   | Description the activity  | Hours by<br>week                               |
|---|--|---|--|
| Lecture series  | Online pre-recorded  | <ul> <li>11 x 60-minute lectures</li> <li>Private study (8 hours per lecture)</li> </ul>                                      | 100 hours total                                |
| 'Meet the Practitioner' seminars                      | In person  | <ul> <li>Five 60 minute 'meet the practitioner' sessions</li> <li>Preparation and reflection (2 hours per session)</li> </ul> | 15 hours total                                 |
| Clinical skills workshops (formative assessment only) | In person, supported<br>by online pre-<br>recorded materials | Two full day sessions dedicated to role play and feedback on topics such as:  | 15 hours total plus 20 hours total preparation |

|  |           | <ul> <li>Basic interviewing skills</li> <li>Administering cognitive screening tools</li> <li>Building confidence in talking about mood and wellbeing</li> <li>Goal setting in rehabilitation.</li> </ul>  | and post-event<br>reflection   |
|--|-----------|---|--|
| Presentation (formative assessment and summative assessment) | In person | <ul> <li>15-minute small-group presentation plus 15 min discussion on 'the contributions of clinical neuropsychology to [topic of choice]'</li> <li>One 90-min orientation session (facilitated)</li> <li>Planning sessions (recommended 6x2hr, not facilitated)</li> <li>Optional drop-in sessions with co-ordinator for support/troubleshooting</li> <li>Half-day for group presentations and discussion</li> <li>10 hours of private study to produce individual 1,000-word reflective account.</li> </ul> | 50 hours total. (based on 20 hours for group work, private study time of 20 hours and 10 hours for the reflective report). |
| Essay (formative and summative assessment)                   |           | 3,500 word essay focussed on an area of the student's interest but approved by the module lead, that addresses the theme of 'integrating theory and practice in clinical neuropsychology'.  | 100 hours (5 per week during 10-week teaching period plus private study of equivalent duration outside full term).         |
|  |           | Total   | 300 total  |

# OR Health Service Delivery module (30 credits) - Thursday PMs

| Activity         | Format              | Description the activity | Hours by<br>week |
|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| Lecture series   | Online pre-recorded | 15 x 60-minute lectures  | 15 hours         |
| Seminars with    | In-person           | 15 x 60-minute sessions  | total            |
| clinical leaders |                     |                          | 15 hours         |
| Private study    |                     |                          | total            |

|  |                     |   | 150 hours<br>total   |
|--|---------------------|---|--|
| Service development skills workshop (formative assessment only)  Presentation (formative | In-person In-person | Half-day workshop to practice service development proposal Preparation and reflection time  • 20-minute small-group   | 10 hours<br>total  |
| and summative assessment)  |                     | presentation plus 20-minute discussion on 'A proposal to improve the quality of care in [topic of choice]'  One 60-minute project meeting (facilitated)  Planning sessions (recommended 6x2hr, not facilitated)  Optional drop-in sessions with co-ordinator for support/troubleshooting  Half-day for group presentations and discussion  10 hours of private study to produce individual 1,500-word | (based on 20 hours for group work, private study time of 20 hours and 10 hours for the reflective report).     |
| Essay (formative and   |                     | reflective account.  2,500 word essay focussed on an  | 60 hours   |
| summative assessment)  |                     | area of the student's interest but approved by the module lead, that addresses the theme of 'delivering clinical services in the neurosciences'.  | (3 hours per week during 10-week teaching period plus private study of equivalent duration outside full term). |
|  |                     | Total   | 300 hours  |

# Semester 3

Clinical placement (15 credits) – optional, specific days flexible

# <u>Year 2</u>

# Semester 1

Common Postgraduate Framework (CPF) module (15 credits) – Thursdays. At least one of:

- Research methods

- Critical Appraisal
- Statistics
- Practical Data Analysis

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An optional module on the *Genomics MSc* or *Translational Medicine MSc* (15 credits) – subject to availability

- Fundamentals of human genetics and genomics
- Case studies in drug discovery and development (TM)
- Clinical Trials (TM)

#### Semester 2

Clinical placement (15 credits) – optional, specific days flexible

Or

Health Service Delivery module - see above

Or

Clinical neuropsychology module – see above

Or

An optional module on the *Global Health MSc* or *Translational Medicine MSc* (15 credits) – subject to availability

- Comparative health systems (GH)
- Culture and Mental Health (GH)
- Personalised Medicine (TM)
- Population Health Research (TM)

# Semester 3

Dissertation writing (60credits)