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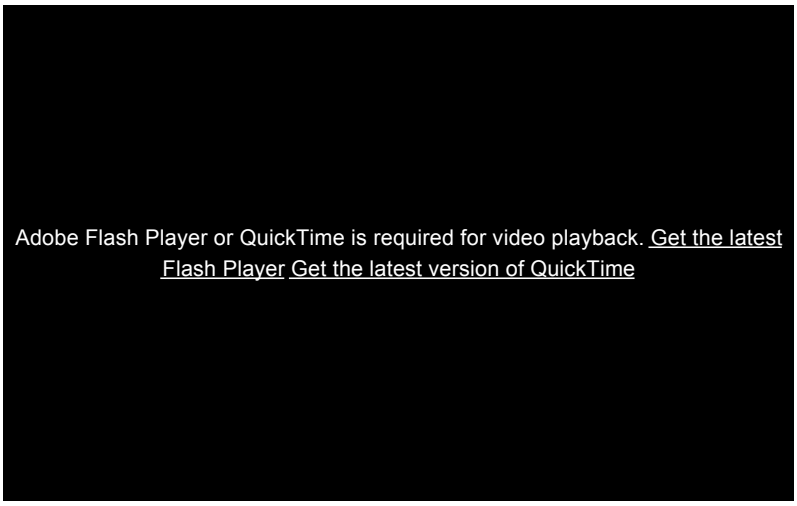
Masters by distance learning



Studying for a Masters by distance learning has the benefit of allowing you to develop your career without having to leave employment. It also means that you can apply new knowledge and insights to your working life while you are still studying; many students choose to tackle work-related topics in their dissertations.

Courses

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History MA by distance learning (/postgraduate/courses/distance/history/history.aspx)

Shakespeare and Education MA (on campus or by distance learning) (/postgraduate/courses/taught/english/shakespeare-education.aspx)

Shakespeare and Theatre MA/Diploma/Distance learning (/postgraduate/courses/taught/english/shakespeare-theatre.aspx)

Military History MA by distance learning (/postgraduate/courses/taught/history/military-history.aspx)

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Heritage Management MA by distance learning (/postgraduate/courses/distance/ironbridge/heritage-management.aspx)

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Frequently asked questions

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Is distance learning for me?

Although you will be well-supported throughout your course, you do need to be able to motivate yourself and dedicate regular time to your studies. The programme will involve a significant amount of independent study, which you will need to be comfortable with. However, you will also have ample opportunities to interact with your tutors and peers via online discussion forums, social media, email etc.

How is the programme delivered?

To complete a Masters by distance learning, you will undertake six taught modules and a 15,000-word dissertation, over up to 36 months (dependent on the programme).

Course materials - including lecture recordings, readings and seminar discussions - are accessed via the University's virtual learning environment, Canvas.

In all cases, you are able to access tutor support via email, telephone and Skype, so you will be well-supported throughout your programme of study.

Do I need to be on campus?

Two of our Masters courses do require some attendance: Shakespeare and Education has a core module which is delivered as a six-day block over Easter, and Heritage Management includes a compulsory five-day Study School in each year. However, you still complete the majority of the course at a distance.

Otherwise, you are able to study entirely from your home location - although you are welcome to visit if you are in Birmingham. If you would like to be able to visit campus regularly, a traditional part-time programme may be more appropriate.

Can I study by distance learning in the UK?

Yes, our distance learning courses can be undertaken from anywhere in the world, including the UK. However, if you do live in the UK and would like to consider a traditional part-time course, we would be happy to advise you of the time commitment required so that you can choose which mode would suit best.

How do I apply?

Visit the relevant coursefinder page (see listing above) and click the ‘apply now’ button on the right hand side of the page.

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