

MA Politics of Development; (PGDip); (3105) September 2020 intake

The purpose of this information sheet is to provide prospective students and applicants with further information about the nature of this degree, in order to help you decide if it is the right choice for you. Should you have any further questions, contact information is provided at the end of the flyer.

Section 1 – degree programme structure

Awarding institution	Royal Holloway, University of London
Accreditation(s) (where applicable)	N/A
Standard length of degree	1 year full-time
Available part-time	Yes

The following table summarises the compulsory modules, which Royal Holloway refers to as mandatory course units, offered on this degree programme each year. The module titles, and methods of teaching and assessment are provided for indicative purposes only and are subject to change in line with the College's validation process:

Course unit name	Credits	Mandatory	Optional
Mandatory Course			
PR5952 Political Economy of Development	20	Yes	
Mandatory Methods			
PR5949 Researching Politics and International Relations	40	Yes	
Students must also take at least one of the following courses:			
PR5957 Development Politics in Sub Saharan Africa	20	Yes	
PR5954 The Political Economy of the Middle East	20	Yes	
Options - Choose from the following to make a total of 120 credits, including Mandatory Methods and Mandatory Courses			
Politics and International Relations Units exploring Political Theory	20	No	Yes
Politics and International Relations Units exploring Comparative Politics	20	No	Yes
Politics and International Relations Units exploring International Relations	20	No	Yes
Politics and International Relations Units exploring Political Communication	20	No	Yes



Section 2 – degree programme costs

Essential costs*	£40 being the estimated train fare costs for fieldwork trips to Central London
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* These estimated costs relate to studying this particular degree programme at Royal Holloway. Costs, such as accommodation, food, books and other learning materials and printing etc., have not been included, and further information regarding these can be found on our website.

Section 3 – useful vocabulary

We understand some of the terminology used in this document may be new to you, and may differ from that used by other universities. To help with this, we have provided a brief description for some of the most important terminology:

Degree programme – Also referred to as 'degree course' or simply 'course', these terms refer to the qualification you will be awarded upon successful completion of your studies.

Course unit – Also referred to as 'module', this refers to the individual units you will study each year to complete your degree programme. Masters programmes consist of a number of taught course units – some mandatory and some optional - plus a dissertation/ project to the value of 180 UK credits in total. On completion of a minimum of 120 UK credits a student may be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma, while on completion of a minimum of 60 credits a student may be awarded a Postgraduate Certificate. Some Masters programmes may have progression requirements (where they are offered over more than one year of study) or pass requirements for degree title if they are accredited by a professional body.

H/EU – Different categories of students pay different levels of tuition fees. H/EU stands for students with Home or European Union fee status.

Overseas – Non-EU students are liable to pay the overseas rate of tuition fees, and are sometimes also referred to as international students.

Section 4 – contact information

If you have any further questions, you can contact the Admissions team by email at study@royalholloway.ac.uk.

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