

# MA Community Sport Development Programme Specification

## PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT – Phase One

1. Qualification <b>Postgraduate Certificate</b>	2. Programme Title <b>Community Sport Development;</b>	3. UCAS Code	4. Programme Type <b>Part time</b>
<p>5. Main Purposes and Distinctive Features of the Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•1 To develop the appropriate transferable knowledge and skills which reflect academic developments in the field of Community Sport Development;</li> <li>•2 To develop study skills necessary for the academic investigation of Community Sport Development issues</li> <li>•3 To develop vocational and professional skills</li> <li>•4 To develop general transferable skills in preparation for postgraduate employment</li> <li>•5 <b>Special Features</b></li> <li>•6 The course has been developed to address the requirements of current and prospective practitioners.</li> <li>•7 The course will be delivered by academics and experienced practitioners in a relevant, theoretically informed vocational environment.</li> </ul>			
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Synthesis of knowledge	Information processing	Organisation and time management	
Problem solving techniques	Writing skills	Lifelong learning	
	Presentation skills	Self evaluation	
	Project management		

### PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT – Phase Two

1. Qualification Postgraduate Diploma	2. Programme Title Community Sport Development;	3. UCAS Code	4. Programme Type Part time								
<p>5. Main Purposes and Distinctive Features of the Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•8 To extend and develop the knowledge skills and understanding acquired from the Certificate in Community Sport Development;</li> <li>•9 To develop research skills necessary for the academic investigation of Community Sport Development issues</li> <li>•10 To develop higher order vocational and professional skills</li> <li>•11 To develop general transferable skills in preparation for postgraduate employment</li> <li>•12 <b>Special Features</b></li> <li>•13 The course has been developed to address the requirements of current and prospective practitioners.</li> <li>•14 The course will be delivered by academics and experienced practitioners in a relevant, theoretically informed vocational environment.</li> </ul>											
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### 8. Duration and Structure of Programme/Modes of Study/Credit Volume of Study Units (1 year part-time).

Post Graduate Certificate = 60 credits

Post Graduate Diploma = 60 credits

Master of Arts = 60 credits

Part II

#### M1 Honours Modules

##### Core Modules

Certificate

- Understanding Communities
- Community Well-being
- Working with Others
- Project Management

##### Core Modules

Diploma

- Psycho-social aspects of sport
- Politics of Community Sport Development
- Contemporary Issues in Community Sport Development
- Research Methods

##### Core Modules

Master of Arts

- 1 Dissertation

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<p>9. Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy</p> <p><b><u>Learning and Teaching Methods</u></b> Workshops, formal lectures, seminars, tutorials, case study analysis, IT practical work, supported self-study.</p> <p><b><u>Assessment Methods</u></b> Projects, essays, presentations, reports, practical activities, case study analysis.</p> <p><b><u>Assessment Classification System</u></b> Pass mark for individual assessments = 40% All assessments for a module must be completed to a minimum pass standard.</p> <p><b><u>Classification Bands</u></b> 70% and above - Distinction 40% and above – Pass 00 - 39% - Fail</p>	<p>10. Other Information (<i>including compliance with relevant University policies</i>)</p> <p><b><u>Date programme first offered</u></b> The programme will be first offered in February 2004</p> <p><b><u>Admissions Criteria</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Standard Requirements</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> class degree in Community Studies, Sports Studies or related courses.</li></ul> <p><b><u>Non Standard Entry</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Relevant work experience</li><li>• Mature student evaluation may include and interview and /or a diagnostic test</li></ul> <p><b><u>Indicators of Quality and Standards</u></b> Programme developed with external specialist input (Sport England NW) and reviewed by external examiner monitoring.</p>
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