## LEVEL 7 RESEARCH METHODS MODULES

**College: Westminster Business School** 

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1	7BUSS003W	Business Research Methods	Dr Koko Kondo [kondok] 020 7911 5000 ext 66589 K.Kondo1@westminster.ac.uk	All year	Westminster Business School	The purpose of this module is to develop students' knowledge of effective and academic research design at master's level and provide guidance on the purpose and design of literature reviews; strategies of research problem definition and ethical considerations. Equally, the module aims to ensure students have an advanced understanding of how the range of qualitative and quantitative approaches can be most appropriately applied in business management (sub) contexts; and to develop students' ability to identify/collect and analyse relevant data and literature sources and reference them appropriately. Finally, to help students apply this knowledge and establish the most effectual research design and method for their project and write a successful research proposal.
2	7BUSS004C	Business Research Methods WIUT	Richard West [westr]  020 7911 5000 ext 66518  R.West02@westminster.ac.uk	All year	Management and Marketing	This module focuses on developing your knowledge of business research methods and skills to apply them for understanding real world business issues. The module places strong emphasis on construction of viable research questions, explores qualitative and quantitative research methods, connects your research with existing literature, translates research findings into action points, and examines the limitations of diverse research methods. You will acquire skills and knowledge of research design, data collection and analysis, the presentation of findings.

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3	7ECON008C	Research Methods WIUT	Richard West [westr]  020 7911 5000 ext 66518  R.West02@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1	Organisations, Economy and Society	The Research Methods (RM) module covers research design and methodology, literature review, qualitative and quantitative research methods and considers the contexts within which different methods are useful and how they should be applied in practice. The focus is on developing research skills by critically analyzing, learning-by-doing and presenting.
4	7BUSS002W	Business Research Methods	Rebecca (Yi) Wang [wangyi] 020 7911 5000 ext 66737 R.Wang@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1	Management and Marketing	The module aims to develop students' knowledge and competence of the research process and the application of research methods in the area of Business and Management. It covers qualitative and quantitative research methods and considers the contexts within which different methods are useful and how they should be applied in practice. It focuses on research design, data collection and analysis and the presentation of findings.
5	7BUSS012W	Research Methods and Project Preparation	Galina Gornostaeva [gornosg]  020 7911 5000 ext 66763  G.Gornostaeva@westminster.ac. uk	SEM1	Applied Management	The purpose of this module is to provide preparation for the MSc Purchasing and Supply Chain project module and develop students' knowledge of effective and academic procurement and supply chain research design and data collection at master's level, and provide guidance on the purpose and design of literature reviews; strategies of critical research problem definition and ethical research considerations. The application of this knowledge is assessed through the writing of a viable and feasible research proposal, within the framework of master's level.

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6	7BUSS013W	Research Methods in Finance and Accounting	Sheeja Sivaprasad [sivaprs]  020 7911 5000 ext 66508 S.Sivaprasad@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1 & SEM2	Finance and Accounting	The module aims to develop students' knowledge and competence of the research process and the application of research methods in the area of Accounting and Finance. It covers qualitative and quantitative research methods and considers the contexts within which different methods are useful and how they should be applied in practice. It focuses on research design, data collection and analysis, and the presentation of findings.
7	7ECON014W	Research Methods	Shujie Shen [shens]  020 7911 5000 ext 66692  S.Shen@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1	Organisations, Economy and Society	The Research Methods (RM) module aims to develop your knowledge and competence of the research process and the application of research methods in the area of Business and Management, with specific focus on Economics research area. It covers an introduction to qualitative, quantitative and mixed method research and considers the contexts within which different methods are useful and how they should be applied in practice. It introduces the areas of research design, data collection and analysis, and presentation of findings.
8	7HURM017W	Research Methods and Project Preparation	Elisabeth Michielsens [michiee] 20 7911 5000 ext 66525 michiee@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1 and SEM2	Organisations, Economy and Society	The module aims to develop students' knowledge and competence of the research project process and the application of research methods in the area of Business and Management, with specific focus on Human Resource Management. It covers qualitative and quantitative research methods and considers the contexts within which different methods are useful and how they should be applied in practice. It focuses on research design, data collection and analysis, presentation of findings and their project preparation.

## **College: Liberal Arts and Sciences**

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9	7BIOM033W	Postgraduate Research Methods	Ian Harmer [harmeri] 020 7911 5000 ext 64137 I.Harmer@westminster.ac.uk	All year	Life Sciences	The purpose of this module is to teach the principles and practice of research with a focus on study design and methods of data collection. It will show how these designs and methods can be applied to evaluation studies as well as to research. It will provide a supportive and intellectually challenging environment within which students develop their knowledge, understanding and skills as researchers.
10	7HMNT015W	Postgraduate Research Methods for Health	Teddy Seyoum [seyoumt] T.Seyoum@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1	Life Sciences	The purpose of this module is to teach the principles and practice of research with a focus on qualitative and quantitative study designs and methods of data collection and processing. It will show how these designs and methods can be applied to evaluation studies as well as to research. It will provide a supportive and intellectually challenging environment within which students develop their knowledge, understanding and skills as researchers.
11	7HMNT018W	Research Methods II & Research Project for Health	Teddy Seyoum [seyoumt] T.Seyoum@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1 & SEM2	Life Sciences	This module consolidates and extends the skills learned in other modules and particularly Research Methods I. It culminates in the conduct of a supervised research project relevant to a student's area of professional practice and course specific discipline.
12	7LGPR030W	Social Research Methods in Law: Principles and Practice	Aurora Voiculescu [voicula] 020 7911 5000 ext 69645 A.Voiculescu@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1 & SEM2	Westminster Law School	The module introduces students to research design including research planning and literature reviews. It explores three particular areas of research methods: quantitative methods, qualitative methods and comparative socio-legal methodology. It also introduces students to analysis and interpretation of documents and the ethics of research.

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13	LLPC726	Social Research Methods in Law: Principles and Practice	Aurora Voiculescu [voicula] 020 7911 5000 ext 69645 A.Voiculescu@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1	Westminster Law School	The module introduces students to research design including research planning and literature reviews. It explores three particular areas of research methods: quantitative methods, qualitative methods and comparative socio-legal methodology. It also introduces students to analysis and interpretation of documents and the ethics of research.
14	7LLAW049	Research Theory and Practice	Aurora Voiculescu [voicula] 020 7911 5000 ext 69645 A.Voiculescu@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1 & SEM2	Westminster Law School	This module provides an overview of various methods employed in the study of law, legal institutions and legal behaviour. It introduces students to the foundations of legal reasoning, socio-legal research methods and theoretical scholarship on law. The module supports the development of the ability to identify a topic for research which could lead to the production of a piece of research such as a dissertation or a thesis. It supports a critical awareness of existing work in the chosen field and an awareness of available research methodologies; an ability to explain the reasons for the selection of research methods; the ability to undertake extended primary research. The module addresses doctrinal as well as socio-legal approaches, introducing quantitative and qualitative methodologies, document analysis, critical approaches, with their assumptions, tools and techniques.
15	7PIRS007W	Dissertation and Research Methods	Wojciech Ostrowski 020 7911 5000 ext 68930 w.ostrowski@westminster.ac.uk	SEM1 & SEM2	Social Sciences	The dissertation and research methods core module gives students supervised guidance and research method training (through a series of research method workshops, the dissertation induction and individual dissertation supervision sessions) in preparing their dissertation on an agreed research topic.

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16	7INTR012W	MA Interpreting Project	Dr Caiwen Wang  020 7911 5000 ext 69144  c.wang4@westminster.ac.uk	All year	Humanities	The module consists of individual study for and completion of an extended piece of analysis on your own performance in fulfilling an interpretation task from initial research and glossary building, text analysis, and giving an interpretation, to a final evaluation of the interpreting quality. The module is delivered through a series of project workshops covering aspects of interpreting theory and text analysis and practical advice on how to complete the project. There is also individual supervision.
17	HUMS001W	MA Dissertation	Dr Federica Mazzara  020 7911 5000 ext 69227  F.Mazzara@westminster.ac.uk	All year	Humanities	This module includes individual sessions on defining a research question, conducting a literature review and research methods. These general sessions will be plenary for all students in all MA Programmes. Then specialised sessions are tailored around specific disciplines and academic skills.

## **College: Design, Creative and Digital Industries**

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18		MRes Creative Practice – Creative Practice Research Methodologies	Lucy Rogers L.Rogers2@westminster. ac.uk  David Bate D.Bate@westminster.ac.u k		Arts	The module examines what is understood by practice-based research and develops your skills and understanding of how to apply research methodologies to your specific project proposal, and the wider field of creative research as an artist and practitioner. The module consists of MRES focused seminars and workshops, which will help you to develop your research skills and methodologies for the realisation of your major creative project. In addition, you will join CREAM postgraduate research students for further research methodology workshops, which explore the different practical and ethical considerations involved with research-based practice.

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19	7PLAN035W	Planning Research, Methods and Skills	Mireille Tchapi m.tchapi@westminster .ac.uk and Andrew Boughton a.boughton@westmins ter.ac.uk	SEM1	Architecture and Cities	This Module provide students with skills needed to research a dissertation and prepare materials for the policy formulation process. It will Introduce methods for collecting, compiling and analysing data, drawing on frameworks developed within urban studies, urban design and planning theory and engage student to critically reflect upon a range of research methods employed by built environment researchers and practitioners. It will also critically examine the ways in which knowledge is generated and used within the study of the built environment and the way such knowledge is applied by practitioners of built environment professions. Students will be introduced to practitioner and decision-taking skills and to the critical analysis and evaluation of evidence. Students will also develop an understanding of the UK and international planning contexts in which to apply built environment research methods and planning skills contribute to sustainable development.
20	7TOUR010 W	Research and Communication Skills	Chantal Laws C.Laws@westminster.a c.uk	SEM 1	Architecture and Cities	This module develops an understanding and knowledge of the essential communication and research skills needed for academic life and professional practice. It provides guidance on communicating, analytically and creatively, in the written form, digitally, orally and visually. It also covers the key skills needed for the successful completion of a research project, ranging from developing a research approach, setting research objectives, critically reviewing existing literature, evaluating appropriate methodologies and analysing research data and information.
21	7COMM002 W	Researching Media & Communication	Xin Xin [xinxi] 020 7911 5000 ext 68380 X.Xin1@westminster.ac.u	SEM2	Westminster School of Media and Communicati on	This module is designed to introduce you to some important methods in social and media research. We shall look at how to undertake selective quantitative and qualitative research methods, understanding and exploring the different stages of the research process, from a definition of a research
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							also look at the theoretical reasoning behind different methodological approaches to media and society, in particular the politics of social research.

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