

Sports Coaching MSc



This course enables current practitioners to develop their conceptual and theoretical understanding in the field of Sports Coaching Science.

Practical skills in a range of scientific disciplines will be further developed in order to enhance the coaching process. The course requires students to critically reflect upon contemporary principles and practices in sports coaching.

There is an emphasis on students becoming effective and reflective practitioners. A significant proportion of the programme is vocationally focused and student driven. The Professional Placement will enable you to demonstrate your professional sports coaching competencies through continuing professional development activities, and the Dissertation provides opportunities to negotiate a suitable project that meets the intended learning outcomes of the module in your area of sports coaching interest.

The course is supported by excellent facilities, including a £2.5 million indoor sports centre, a floodlight synthetic pitch (to FIH standards), an exercise physiology suite (BASES accredited), two further sports science laboratories, nutrition laboratory, teaching rooms, gymnasium and dance studio. The School also hosts the Motion Analysis Research and Rehabilitation Centre (MARRC), a £2 million facility.

How to Apply

For all taught postgraduate and PG Cert programmes, please apply directly to University of Worcester. You can download an application form, or can contact the Admissions office on 01905 855111 / pg-admissions@worc.ac.uk

Please post your completed application form to:
Admissions Office
University Of Worcester
Henwick Grove
Worcester
WR2 6AJ

Alternatively you can apply online for postgraduate programmes at University of Worcester via the [Prospects online directory](#) of postgraduate programmes. There is no fee for using the online application service.

When we receive your application form, your details will be passed to the Masters Programme Leader who will contact you to arrange an informal interview. You may include additional material, such as references, in support of your application or bring them with you to interview.

You can apply for postgraduate taught courses and PG Certs at any time, but preferably as early as possible before the start of the academic year, which begins in September.

Study options

Full or part-time options

Flexible modular scheme means you can study at your own pace

Choice of pathway

Opportunities to be awarded the title 'International Masters' - In order to meet the criteria, you must complete your professional practice in an international setting and have an international focus to your Dissertation.

Postgraduate Certificate in Sports Coaching – successful completion of a minimum of 3 modules.

Postgraduate Diploma in Sports Coaching - successful completion of a minimum of 6 modules.

MSc in Sports Coaching - successful completion of 9 modules, including the triple module Advanced Independent Study

Get in touch

Admissions Office

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Entry requirements

Students will normally have a 2:1 classification in a sport related degree.

Students who hold a sport-related degree classification of either 2:2 (or below), or, a non-sport related degree will be considered on a case by case basis and may be required to submit a portfolio of evidence to demonstrate coaching experience.

If English is not your first language, you will be expected to have reached a sufficient standard on admission to the course (e.g. IELTS 6.5, with a minimum of 6.0 in each element).

Admissions procedures

All applicants will be interviewed.

Due to the nature of the programme, all students must complete a criminal records bureau enhanced disclosure check prior to the start of the course.

Mature Students

UW values diversity in its student body and applications from mature students are very welcome. Students with few or no formal qualifications should contact the Registry Admissions Office (01905 855111) or the Course Leader (01905 855270) with details of their age, any work undertaken, including caring or organised voluntary work, and any other relevant experience.

Accreditation of Prior Learning

Candidates with an acceptable academic background and/or relevant work experience may apply for Accreditation of prior learning (APL) and experience (APEL). It is advisable for candidates to discuss this with the Course Leader initially. The programmes follow the UW Policy for Accreditation of Prior Learning (2007).

Please contact the Registry Admissions Office for further information or guidance on 01905 855111.

Modules

Scientific Concepts of Sports Coaching
Philosophy & Practice of Sports Coaching
Dissertation. (three modules)
Professional Practice
Leading and Managing People in Sport
Research Methods

Assessment

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A wide variety of assessment methods are used including: written assignments, data handling assignments, case study, oral presentation and defence, integrative curriculum project, portfolio, business plan, group presentation and Dissertation

Teaching and Learning Methods

Learning will be structured around small group seminars led by tutors who will introduce a wealth of advanced and applied material. Sessions will encourage students to participate fully and to share their knowledge and experiences. Students will be encouraged to develop critical, reflective and analytical skills in an environment of open debate and discussion.

Academic department

[Institute of Sport & Exercise Science](#)

"We are proud of our strong reputation for sporting excellence. Our mission is to enhance the knowledge, skills and understanding of our students so they can continue to make a meaningful contribution to society at all levels."

Mick Donovan, Head of Institute

Employability

An MSc in Sports Coaching will provide students with opportunities in many areas of sport and/or careers that are useful not only in coaching, but in other areas of employment as well. This degree is useful for a wide range of occupations, such as:

Professional Sports Coach
Fitness instructor
Physical Education teacher
Sports Coach
Strength and Conditioning coach
Coach Development Officer
Sport Development Officer
Sports Coaching Lecturer
Recreation officer
Self-employed coaching consultant
Researcher
Performance Analyst

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