Dissertation MACP4012

This dissertation module gives the student experience of individual and original intellectual inquiry and opportunity to develop mastery of the range of skills and capabilities outlined in the Multi-professional Framework for Advanced Clinical Practice (HEE 2017).

The student will be able to consolidate and enhance the skills in research, evaluation and critical appraisal in the synthesis of new and original knowledge in their specialist topic and field of practice.

The content of the dissertation will be defined by the student, in conjunction with the nominated University supervisor.

Module learning outcomes:

- Critically appraise and synthesise existing literature, identifying gaps in the evidence base and its application to advanced practice;
- Work independently to design and plan an original project, adhering to good research practice guidance, in the form of an empirical study, a service evaluation or audit;
- Communicate an effective, concise account of the study demonstrating intellectual and methodological competence appropriate to master's level;
- Demonstrate the ability to draw conclusions from the discussion and make sound recommendations for advanced practice and further research;
- Conform to both academic and any appropriate professional conventions to ensure an ethically sound project;
- Adhere to robust data governance systems.





Assessment:

Written dissertation (15000 words)

General Enquiries

Please contact the module or course leader

Module Leader Dr Emma Innes

Credits Level 7, 60 Credits

Dates (subject to change)

Dates are provided below and will include a module launch and a subsequent one-day dissertation student conference. There will also be optional dissertation clinics throughout the module.

There will be 8 hours of individual tutorials with a dissertation supervisor (allocated by the Module Lead) and independent learning.

All students are expected to attend the module launch and the student conference. Thereafter, students will work independently, with up to 8 hours of supervision support from their supervisor to complete their dissertations. Additional information including the proposal workshop and module launch dates will be posted on Blackboard.

Semester 1 (25/26)

24 September 2025 Dissertation Launch
26 November 2025 Dissertation Clinic
21 January 2026 Dissertation Clinic

11 March 2026 Dissertation Conference



