# PG Certificate in Health Research and Statistics

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# The PG Cert

- This is a taught degree with an emphasis on quantitative methods training to enable students to conduct research in health and related sciences.
- Students on the programme will have grounding in research and statistical methods to conduct and analyse a number of study designs.



# Programme aims

- carry out comprehensive literature searches
- design and conduct high quality health research using appropriate methods and study designs
- plan and undertake data analysis using the appropriate statistical methodologies
- critically appraise and interpret data
- compile research reports given a specific research question



## Credits and Modules

# 60 Credits over two-years on a part-time basis

30 credits are compulsory and 30 are optional



# 30 Compulsory Credits

 Mandatory Academic Integrity tutorial (Via VLE No credits) By 11 NOV

- Health Research Methods (20 Credits)
  - –Distance learning via VLEAutumn 2016 and Spring 2017

#### Timetable:

https://www.york.ac.uk/media/healthsciences/documents/postgrad/Teaching %20summary%20timetable%202016 17%20PGCert%20in%20Health%20R es%20&%20Stat.pdf



### 30 Compulsory Credits (Continued)

- Introduction to Regression Analysis (10 Credits)
  - -Face-to-face every Tuesday 1pm-4pm Spring 2017 (9 half-day sessions)
    - Clearly explained concepts during lectures and practical application of these has been very useful to my learning. I have taken statistics courses previously but think that this module has significantly improved my understanding.
    - The tutorial sessions with Mona and grad students there for 1-on-1 help. Very competent module leader who has organised the module very well. Mona has been able to explain every problem I've come across. Also, I can tell that the course material has been carefully selected and that many hours have gone into planning. I also like that we will devote a whole session to the exam and practicing it. Very much used the pre-lecture reading notes. Thank you!
    - Lecture followed by practical format. Detailed lecture notes beforehand to allow pre-reading and familiarisation with topic. Teaching style interesting and enjoyable.



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### Optional modules 30 Credits

- Please Fill in the optional modules document and return to Di Stockdale (di.stockdale@york.ac.uk) by 15 Nov 2016
- Summer 2017/2018
  - Further regression analysis\* (10 Credits, face-to face 9 half-day sessions OR distance learning but you need access to STATA^)
  - Measurement in Health & Disease(10 Credits, distance learning)
- \* pre-requisite "Introduction to Regression Analysis

http://www.timberlake.co.uk/software/stata/educational/students/student
s.html

£25/35 6-month/one-year Small STATA; £145 Perpetual STAT/IC



#### Optional modules: 30 Credits (continued)

#### Autumn 2017:

- Introduction to Applied Multi-Level Analysis (10 Credits, delivery over <u>4 days</u>) \*
- Epidemiology (10 Credits, face-to face 9 half-day sessions)
- Randomised controlled trials (10 Credits, face-to face 9 half-day sessions)

### Spring 2018:

- Health Economics (10 Credits, face-to face 9 halfday sessions)
- Systematic reviews (10 Credits, face-to face 9 halfday sessions)\*
- Understanding Clinical Statistics (10 Credits, distance learning)



### Assessment

#### Schedule

https://www.york.ac.uk/media/healthsciences/documents/student-intranet/schedules/AssessmentSched PGCert 2016-7.pdf

# A range of assessment styles:

- Closed book exam (Health Research Methods, Epidemiology, Health Economics)
- Computer based open book exam (Further regression analysis, Introduction to Applied Multi-Level Analysis)
- Projects/Essays (Introduction to Regression Analysis, Randomised controlled trials, Systematic reviews)
- Open book exam (Measurement in Health & Disease, Understanding Clinical Statistics)



## Enrolment

- Make Sure you are enrolled
- https://www.york.ac.uk/students/stu dying/enrolment/newpgspr/
- Enrolment deadline Friday 30
   September 2016
- Otherwise you will incur a <u>£75</u> late enrolment fee.



# Support I

- Academic Support to learning:
  - VLE
    - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhH 15upBcM&list=PLF2Nvo3TL30tGXIzuF RCypU B mgQHqq9&index=1
- In order to access a module you need to log on using the following address: <a href="http://vle.york.ac.uk">http://vle.york.ac.uk</a> then enter your username (usually looks something like abc123) and your password.



# Support II

- Academic Support to learning:
  - VLE
  - Module Leaders and helpers
  - Personal Supervisor
  - Access to relevant software

https://www.york.ac.uk/students/studying/develop-your-skills/study-skills/



# Support III

- Welcome Site: https://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/post graduate-welcome/
- Student Service offers advice and guidance on a range of issues:
  - Programme Related
  - Welfare and guidance related/Financial
- IT:
  - <a href="http://www.york.ac.uk/it-services/info/newusers/">http://www.york.ac.uk/it-services/info/newusers/</a>
  - https://www.york.ac.uk/students/computing/

https://www.york.ac.uk/students/support/hea lth/opendoor/



# Support IV: Student Intranet

https://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/

#### Postgraduate Taught

- Teaching information
  - Assessment Schedules
  - Assessment Guidelines
  - Module Descriptors
  - Mitigating Circumstances
  - Academic Supervision
- Handbooks
- Timetables
- International Students
- Tier 4 Students

#### **Board of Studies**

- Board of Studies
- Student reps
- Student/Staff Forum

#### General

- Student Support
- Bullying and Harassment
- Facilities and Learning
- Megaphone
- Green Impact
- Staff Contacts

#### **Quick Links**

- Student Portal
- e:vision
- Yorkshare VLE



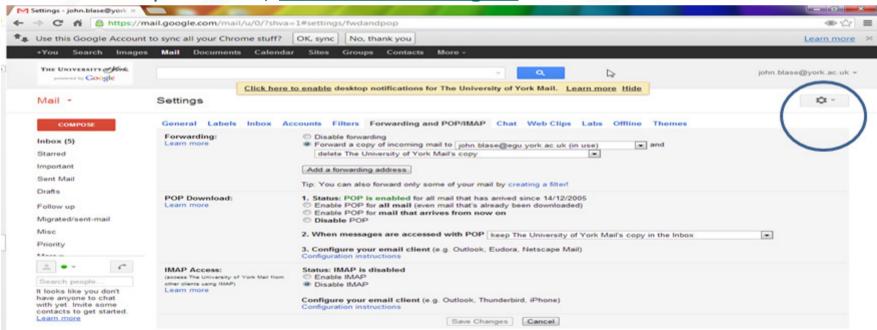
# University Email I

- ALL emails from university will be to your university account. This includes emails regarding times/dates/venues of exams.
- Important to check email regularly/Webmail (Gmail):
  - PC/Mobile device with internet connection
  - Email forwarding



# University Email II

- Forwarding your university account emails to your personal email accounts
  - For information about email accounts see <a href="http://www.york.ac.uk/it-services/services/email/">http://www.york.ac.uk/it-services/services/email/</a>.
  - Access your email via <a href="http://mail.york.ac.uk">http://mail.york.ac.uk</a>
  - Select 'settings' in webmail (see below)
  - Click 'Forwarding and POP/IMAP'
  - Complete form, <u>click 'Save changes'</u>



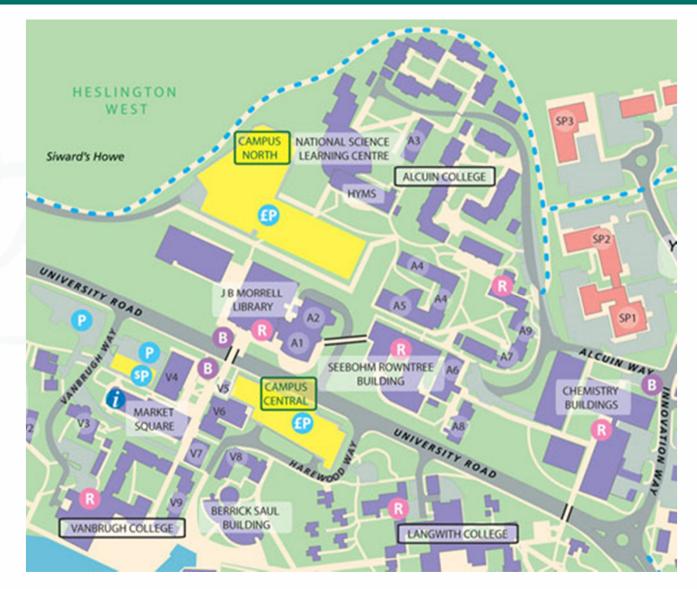


### KEY TO ROOM NUMBERS:

- ARRC Alcuin Resource Research Centre (is identified as A5 on the campus map behind the Seebohm Rowntree Building)
- ATB Alcuin Teaching Building (Seebohm Rowntree Building)
- AEW Alcuin East Wing (adjoined to Seebohm Rowntree Building)
- http://www.york.ac.uk/arrc/find-us/



# Alcuin Map





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# Handbook

- All the above information and further details can be found in the Handbook available here
- https://www.york.ac.uk/media/healthsciences/ documents/studenthandbooks/PGCertHealthRes&StatsProgram meHandbook2016.pdf



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