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# Course Specification

## MSc Construction Management

Course Code: MCONM

2026/27

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## Applicant Facing Course Specification for 2026/27 Postgraduate Entrants

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### General Information

<b>Award</b>	Master of Science Construction Management
<b>Contained Awards</b>	Postgraduate Diploma Construction Management Postgraduate Certificate Construction Management
<b>Awarding Body</b>	Leeds Beckett University
<b>Level of Qualification and Credits</b>	Level 7 of the Framework for Higher Education Qualifications, with 180 credit points at Level 7 of the Higher Education Credit Framework for England.
<b>Course Lengths and Standard Timescales</b>	Start dates will be notified to students via their offer letter. The length and mode of delivery of the course is confirmed below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 12 months (September full time starters, campus based)</li><li>• 18 months (January full time starters, campus based)</li><li>• 24 months (part-time, campus based)</li></ul>
<b>Part Time Study</b>	PT delivery is usually at half the intensity of the FT equivalent course, although there may be flexibility to increase your pace of study to shorten the overall course duration. Some modules may be delivered in a different sequence to that defined within this information set but the modules offered within each level are consistent. Please note that the work placement option is not generally available to PT students.
<b>Location(s) of Delivery</b>	The majority of teaching will be at City campus but on occasion may be at Headingley campus.
<b>Entry Requirements</b>	Admissions criteria are confirmed in your offer letter. Details of how the University recognises prior learning and supports credit transfer are located here: <a href="https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/student-information/course-information/recognition-of-prior-learning/">https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/student-information/course-information/recognition-of-prior-learning/</a>

Admissions enquiries may be directed to:  
[AdmissionsEnquiries@leedsbeckett.ac.uk](mailto:AdmissionsEnquiries@leedsbeckett.ac.uk).

### **Course Fees**

Course fees are confirmed in your offer letter. A breakdown of any additional costs is included on the online prospectus entry for this course.

Fees enquiries may be directed to [Fees@leedsbeckett.ac.uk](mailto:Fees@leedsbeckett.ac.uk).

### **Policies, Standards and Regulations** (<https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/our-university/public-information/academic-regulations/>)

Effective from September 2023, the course team have implemented a change in the IELTS entry requirement, to a preferred score of 6.5 with a minimum requirement of 5.5. This is to ensure international applicants join the course already possessing the right level of English comprehension skills, so they are able to complete their studies to a Masters standard.

### **Professional Accreditation or Recognition Associated with the Course**

#### **Professional Body**

The course team are working towards CIOB accreditation)

#### **Accreditation/ Recognition Summary**

Our graduates are eligible to begin their professional qualification with the CIOB. Applications to these membership grades are to be made to the professional institutions by the graduate.

### **Timetable Information**

Timetables for Semester 1 will be made available to students during induction week via:

- i) The Student Portal (MyBeckett)
- ii) The Leeds Beckett app

Any difficulties relating to timetabled sessions may be discussed with your Course Administrator.

### **Key Contacts**

#### **Your Course Director**

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#### **Your Course Administrator**

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## Course Overview

### Aims

This course has been designed to provide a Masters programme of studies for those who wish to develop and/or enhance their skills and knowledge in the field of construction management.

The aims of the programme are to:

- To provide an effective, coherent, and intellectually challenging postgraduate education in Construction Management;
- To enhance students' abilities in the identification and evaluation of appropriate decision-making strategies;
- To develop research capability and cognitive skills which enable students to analyse problems and identify effective solutions in their professional context.

### Course Learning Outcomes

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

1	Critically evaluate current approaches to the management of the construction business and construction projects.
2	Demonstrate in-depth knowledge of specific tools and techniques used in the management of construction and their impact on the effective performance of the construction business and project.
3	Have advanced state-of-the-art knowledge in research in at least one specialist area within Construction Management.
4	Demonstrate a systematic understanding of the theory and techniques applied at the forefront of professional practice in the discipline.
5	Critically evaluate advanced practices in the management of construction and, where appropriate, propose new alternatives.

## Teaching and Learning Activities

### Summary

The course exercises the students' understanding through interpretation and application of the principles learned, encouraging their critical appraisal of the developing knowledge in the subject, and fostering a degree of self-reliance appropriate for students at the postgraduate level. Coursework and group project works are important components of the scheme and are intended to emphasise practicalities and develop the necessary working skills.

The Dissertation project involves students in research related to the subject area of the programme. Students have considerable freedom to choose their own topics, which they do by negotiating with their dissertation supervisor. Several workshops will be provided throughout the year to introduce the students

to research methods, research tools, and the use of relevant data analysis methods and software. The supervisor will undertake further individual tutorials and meetings with the student. The resultant paper is owned by the University and may be published in the joint names of the supervisor and the student and by engaging in the course the student agrees to such publication.

Students are expected to undertake background reading each week, both to enhance knowledge and critical awareness and to inform class discussions. Module tutors will emphasise the importance of the student taking responsibility for acquiring the necessary knowledge. The move to increasing levels of student independence is progressive through the course with students expected to demonstrate a substantial degree of initiative and self-reliance in the Dissertation module.

There are many opportunities for students to consider research papers across the entire course. The online library contains numerous excellent databases which give access to several high-level research papers in this sphere of study.

This course will feature a mix of blended learning, both online and in-person. Lectures and seminars will be recorded.

## Your Modules

This information is correct for students progressing through the programme within standard timescales. Option modules listed are indicative of a typical year. There may be some variance in the availability of option modules. Students who are required to undertake repeat study may be taught alternate modules which meet the overall course learning outcomes. Details of module delivery will be provided in your timetable.

## Full Time Delivery (1 Year)

### Level 7

#### *Compulsory modules*

Module title	Credits	Semester/ teaching period
Technological Innovations	20	S1
Managing Projects for Innovation	20	S1
Commercial and Financial Management	20	S2
BIM and Smart Procurement	20	S2
Masters Dissertation	60	S1 & S2
Number of credits of compulsory modules	140	

#### Option modules

Module title	Credits	Semester/ teaching period
Strategic Project Management	20	S1
Programme and Portfolio Management	20	S2
Project Planning and Risk Control	20	S2

## Part Time Delivery (2 Year)

### Level 7

#### Compulsory modules

Module title	Credits	Semester/ teaching period
Technological Innovations	20	S1 / Year 1
Managing Projects for Innovation	20	S1 / Year 1
Commercial and Financial Management	20	S2 / Year 1
BIM and Smart Procurement	20	S2 / Year 1
Masters Dissertation	60	S1 & S2 / Year 2
Number of credits of compulsory modules	140	

#### Option modules

Module title	Credits	Semester/ teaching period
Strategic Project Management	20	S1 / Year 2
Programme and Portfolio Management	20	S2 / Year 2
Project Planning and Risk Control	20	S2 / Year 2

## Assessment Balance and Scheduled Learning and Teaching Activities

The assessment balance and overall workload associated with this course are calculated from core modules and typical option module choices undertaken by students on the course. They have been reviewed and confirmed as representative by the Course Director but applicants should note that the specific option choices students make may influence both assessment and workload balance.

A standard module equates to 200 notional learning hours, which may be comprised of teaching, learning and assessment, any embedded placement activities and independent study. Modules may have more than one component of assessment.

### Assessment

In this course, students will be assessed through a mix of coursework, exams, and presentations (dependant on the Option Modules chosen). There is a 60-credit point Masters Dissertation module which includes Research Skills and will require the production of a 4000 word Research Proposal and a Dissertation with a word count of between 12000 to 18000 words.

### Workload

Overall Workload	
Teaching, Learning and Assessment	260 hours
Independent Study	1540 hours