Programme Information		
Programme Title	Programme Code	HECoS Code
MSc Climate Change, Management and Finance	N304	For Registry Use Only
MSc Climate Change, Management and Finance	N3042.1	For Registry Use Only

Award	Length of Study	Mode of Study	Entry Point(s)	Total Credits	
				ECTS	CATS
MSc	12 months	Full-time	Annually in September	90	180
MSc	16 months	Full-time	Transfer within Programme	120	240

Ownership			
Awarding Institution	Imperial College London	Faculty	Imperial Business School
Teaching Institution	Imperial College London	Department	Imperial Business School
Associateship	Diploma of Imperial College (DIC)	Main Location(s) of Study	South Kensington Campus
External Reference			
Relevant QAA Benchmark Statement(s) and/or other external reference points		Master's Awards in Business and Management	
FHEQ Level		Level 7 – Master's	
EHEA Level		2nd Cycle	
External Accreditor(s) (if applicable)			
External Accreditor 1:	EQUIS		
Accreditation received:	2006	Accreditation renewal:	2030
External Accreditor 2:	AACSB International		
Accreditation received:	2012	Accreditation renewal:	2028
Collaborative Provision			
Collaborative partner	Collaboration type	Agreement effective date	Agreement expiry date
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Specification Details	
Programme Lead	Professor Enrico Biffis
Student cohorts covered by specification	2026-27 entry
Date of introduction of programme	October 16
Date of programme specification/revision	July 26

Programme Overview

The MSc Climate Change, Management and Finance at Imperial is an interdisciplinary, problem-driven 12-month programme starting at the beginning of September and continuing through to the end of August the following year. Formal teaching generally follows the university's schedule. Project work and/or internships extend into the normal summer vacation period. It may be possible for projects to be carried out partly or wholly at an external organisation and requests will be considered on a case by case basis.

The purpose of the programme is to form the necessary interdisciplinary skills required in business in relation to future climate and environmental change. Climate change and sustainability remain issues that need to be urgently addressed by all parts of society. The volatility in energy prices coupled with the increase in droughts, fires, and floods around the planet has made the need to move to cleaner technologies and sustainable management, consumption and investing even more urgent. Business and policy decisions are needed on a range of issues related to climate change, including carbon reduction, risk management, financing future ventures, management of supply chains, and the promotion of sustainable consumption. Well-formed decisions require people with knowledge of business, finance & economics on the one hand, and the scientific case for climate action on the other. In developing these skills, the next generation of business leaders will be equipped to tackle the important environmental challenges of the 21st century.

Given the scope and urgency of the challenges associated with climate change and sustainable practices, we are seeing an ever-growing demand for our graduates among private corporations, NGOs and governments all over the world and hope you will make the most of this opportunity to build an exciting and impactful career. Our professional development element of the programme has been designed in conjunction with the Business School's Careers and Employer Relations teams. You will have access to the Business School's Careers Service through the availability of online sessions as well as 1-to-1 meetings with a Careers Adviser. There will be an integrated series of events that will run in both the Autumn and Spring terms. These sessions will include employer talks and forums as well as professional development workshops tailored to the programme.

The programme is delivered jointly by Imperial Business School and the Grantham Institute – Climate Change and the Environment. The Grantham Institute's mission is to drive forward climate and environment related research at Imperial, translate this into real world impact and communicate our knowledge to help shape decision-making. The research, policy and outreach work that the Institute carries out is based on, and backed up by, the world-leading research by academic staff at Imperial.

If you secure an extended Work Placement opportunity (4-6 months in duration) you will be able to transfer to the 16 month programme option in consultation with the Academic Director.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completions of the programme, you will be able to

- Explain current issues in climate science and mitigation technologies.
- Synthesise the theory, practice and emerging trends in finance and management related to Climate Change mitigation and adaptation.
- Identify the business, legislative, policy and innovation contexts in which sustainability and climate change feature
- Evaluate the challenges and opportunities presented by climate change and sustainability needs to consumers, businesses and governments.

- Develop analytical skills to integrate data and model-based analysis related to climate change and sustainability in a business environment. This includes carbon accounting, energy systems, economics, finance, insurance and risk analysis.
- Establish lifelong learning skills and personal development, and be able to work with self-direction

- Justify how you have obtained and will further develop leadership on the transition to zero carbon in business and public discourse

The Imperial Graduate Attributes are a set of core competencies which we expect students to achieve through completion of any Imperial degree programme. The Graduate Attributes are available at: https://www.imperial.ac.uk/about/education/our-graduates/

Entry Requirements	
Academic Requirement	Normally an Upper Second Class Honours Degree with Honours (or international equivalent), ideally in a quantitative discipline. (If the degree is not of a quantitative nature, a GMAT/GRE is recommended.) The Business School does not award credit for Prior Learning (Recognition of Prior Certified Learning (RPCL) or Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning (RPEL)).
Personal Statement	Personal Statement CV Two referees Career Planning Questions
English Language Requirement	Higher requirement (PG) IELTS score of 7.0 overall (minimum 6.5 in all elements).
Admissions Test/Interview	Students are required to take an online interview via the Shortlister platform. All interviews are reviewed and scored as part of the Admissions process.

The programme's competency standards documents can be provided upon request.

Learning & Teaching Approach

Learning and Teaching Delivery Methods
The programme combines academic rigour and practical relevance. There is a careful balance of teaching and learning, individual and group work.

Independent learning
You are expected to spend significant time on independent study outside of directed learning time on the HUB. This will typically include accessing resources online, reading journal articles and books, undertaking research in the library, reviewing lecture notes and watching lecture recordings, working on individual and group projects, working on coursework assignments and revising for exams.

Scheduled Teaching Methods
- Lectures
- Practical classes and field work
- Equipment/technique demonstrations (e.g. Bloomberg, Datastream)
- Seminars
- Workshops
- Case studies
- Group work exercises
- Formal presentations

E-Learning and Blended Learning Methods
- Pre-programme VLE modules

- On-line discussion forums
- On-line lecture materials
- Interactive content including video and module quizzes

Projects
You are required to undertake a Consulting Project, Work Placement and/or Individual Research Project as the final summative piece of your degree.

Overall Workload
Overall workload consists of directed online learning sessions and independent learning. While actual contact hours may vary according to the elective modules you choose to study, the following gives an indication of how much time is needed to allocate to different activities at each level of the programme. At Imperial, each ECTS credit taken equates to an expected total study time of 25 hours. Therefore, the expected total study time is 2250 hours per year.

On average during the programme, you are expected to spend around 20% of your time on directed learning, 60% on independent study and group work, 10% on careers and personal development and 10% of your time on other activities (e.g. social, leisure clubs). There are typically 150 students on the programme and group work is normally conducted in study groups of 3-6 students

Assessment Strategy

Assessment Methods

Modules will be assessed by one or more of the following types of assessment methods:
- Essays
- Continuous assessments
- Written Examinations/Tests
- Multiple Choice Tests
- Formal Presentations
- Reports
- Case Studies
- Class Participation

Assessed modules comprise coursework that is designed to help you master key elements of the subject and, in part, to help prepare you for the final assessment, which is typically a report or examination. Examinations are scheduled throughout the year, generally at the end of the term the module is taught or at the start of the subsequent term. Exact timings are detailed in the programme overview section above. The format of examinations may be written, computer-based or timed remote assessment.

Coursework weighting varies among modules. The various assessments allow you to demonstrate that you have met the intended learning outcomes for each module and these collectively contribute towards your achievement of the programme's learning outcomes, detailed above.

Assessments are designed to ensure that you have acquired the core knowledge and skills expected of a Business School graduate and that you are able to apply these in your career aspirations upon completion of the programme.

Balance of assessment

Compulsory (core) modules
Coursework –30%
Exam – 70%

Electives
Coursework –90% (approximate, varies by elective choice)
Exam – 10% (approximate, varies by elective choice)

Academic Feedback Policy

Feedback can take many forms. During lectures and classes, you will receive verbal feedback on the ideas that you contribute to discussions and on in-class presentations. The online teaching materials contain exercises with built-in, immediate, feedback that is received when you submit an answer.

The School aims to provide feedback on coursework within two weeks. This will be sent in written form to the individual or the group, as appropriate. Academic staff may also provide verbal feedback of a general nature in class or posted to our virtual learning environment. Office hours offered on all modules also provide an opportunity for individual feedback.

The School aims to provide provisional examination grades twenty-five days from the end of the examination period. General feedback to the cohort is provided on examination performance, usually in written form. If you need to resit an examination, you may also approach the module leader for feedback on your performance in the first sitting.

You will be provided with a percentage grade for coursework and examinations with the final numerical mark only confirmed after the Board of Examiners Meeting and then released by Registry. Grades received during the year are deemed provisional until confirmed by the Final Board of Examiners.

Imperial's Policy on Academic Feedback and guidance on issuing provisional marks is available at: www.imperial.ac.uk/about/governance/academic-governance/academic-policy/exams-and-assessment/

Re-sit Policy
Imperial's Policy on Re-sits is available at: www.imperial.ac.uk/about/governance/academic-governance/academic-policy/exams-and-assessment/

Mitigating Circumstances Policy
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Additional Programme Costs		
This section should outline any additional costs relevant to this programme which are not included in tuition fees.		
Description	Mandatory/Optional	Approximate cost
Extended Programme	Optional	Students who choose the Extended Work Placement will need to transfer to the 16-month programme and will be required to pay a fee of £1500. Students will also need to pay to extend their student visa if required, and they are expected to arrange their own accommodation throughout their placement. Other costs vary according to the location of the extended work placement

Important notice: The Programme Specifications are the result of a large curriculum and pedagogy reform implemented by the Department and supported by the Learning and Teaching Strategy of Imperial College London. The modules, structure and assessments presented in this Programme Specification are correct at time of publication but might change as a result of student and staff feedback and the introduction of new or innovative approaches to teaching and learning. You will be consulted and notified in a timely manner of any changes to this document.

Programme Structure (12 month)[1]					
Year 1 - FHEQ Level 7 **You will study all compulsory modules. You must select Electives from Group A to the value of 35 ECTS and 1 from Group B to the value of 10 ECTS.[2][3]**					
Code	Module Title	Core/ Compulsory/ Elective	Group	Term	Credits
BUSI70070	Plagiarism Awareness	Required		AU	0
BUSI70577	Data Tools & Evidence Primer	Required		AU	0
BUSI70415	Business Economics, Climate Change and the Environment	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70416	Carbon Accounting & Reporting	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70417	Principles of Finance	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70418	The Science of Climate Change	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70428	Impacts and Adaptation to Climate Change	Compulsory		SP	5
BUSI70419	Mitigating Climate Change	Compulsory		SP	5
BUSI70432	Quantitative Methods	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70637	Bridging Knowledge and Practice: Climate and Business Perspectives	Compulsory		Year Long	10
BUSI70433	Financial Markets and Climate Change	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70422	Energy Business & Strategy	Elective	A	SU	5
BUSI70423	Climate Finance: A Global Overview	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70686	Climate Policy and Governance	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70424	Innovation in Cleantech and Climate Change Solutions	Elective	A	SU	5
BUSI70431	Finance in Cleantech	Elective	A	SU	5
BUSI70420	Sustainable Management & Strategy	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70421	Risk Management & Climate Change	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70469	Sustainable Marketing & Consumption	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70302	Shareholder Activism & Corporate Responsibility	Elective	A	SU	5

[1] Core modules are those which serve a fundamental role within the curriculum, and for which achievement of the credits for that module is essential for the achievement of the target award. Core modules must therefore be taken and passed in order to achieve that named award. Compulsory modules are those which are designated as necessary to be taken as part of the programme syllabus. Compulsory modules can be compensated. Elective modules are those which are in the same subject area as the field of study and are offered to students in order to offer an element of choice in the curriculum and from which students are able to select. Elective modules can be compensated.

[2] The Work Placement module is graded pass/fail and zero weighted. If passed, the ECTS gained will count towards those required to achieve the target award, but performance in this module will not further affect the degree classification.

[3] All Business school modules are weighted relative to their ECTS value.

BUSI70426	Work Placement	Elective	B	SU/SUP	10
BUSI70427	Consulting Project	Elective	B	SU/SUP	10
BUSI70676	Individual Research Project	Elective	B	SU/SUP	10
				Credit Total	90

Programme Structure (16 month)[4]

Year 1&2 - FHEQ Level 7
You will study all compulsory modules. You must select Electives from Group A to the value of 35 ECTS and 1 from Group C to the value of 40 ECTS.[5][6]

Code	Module Title	Core/ Compulsory/ Elective	Group	Term	Credits
BUSI70070	Plagiarism Awareness	Required		AU	0
BUSI70577	Data Tools & Evidence Primer	Required		AU	0
BUSI70415	Business Economics, Climate Change and the Environment	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70416	Carbon Accounting & Reporting	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70417	Principles of Finance	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70418	The Science of Climate Change	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70428	Impacts and Adaptation to Climate Change	Compulsory		SP	5
BUSI70419	Mitigating Climate Change	Compulsory		SP	5
BUSI70432	Quantitative Methods	Compulsory		AU	5
BUSI70637	Bridging Knowledge and Practice: Climate and Business Perspectives	Compulsory		Year Long	10
BUSI70433	Financial Markets and Climate Change	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70422	Energy Business & Strategy	Elective	A	SU	5
BUSI70423	Climate Finance: A Global Overview	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70686	Climate Policy and Governance	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70424	Innovation in Cleantech and Climate Change Solutions	Elective	A	SU	5
BUSI70431	Finance in Cleantech	Elective	A	SU	5

[4] Core modules are those which serve a fundamental role within the curriculum, and for which achievement of the credits for that module is essential for the achievement of the target award. Core modules must therefore be taken and passed in order to achieve that named award. Compulsory modules are those which are designated as necessary to be taken as part of the programme syllabus. Compulsory modules can be compensated. Elective modules are those which are in the same subject area as the field of study and are offered to students in order to offer an element of choice in the curriculum and from which students are able to select. Elective modules can be compensated.
[5] The Work Placement module is graded pass/fail and zero weighted. If passed, the ECTS gained will count towards those required to achieve the target award, but performance in this module will not further affect the degree classification.
[6] All Business school modules are weighted relative to their ECTS value.

BUSI70420	Sustainable Management & Strategy	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70421	Risk Management & Climate Change	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70469	Sustainable Marketing & Consumption	Elective	A	SP	5
BUSI70302	Shareholder Activism & Corporate Responsibility	Elective	A	SU	5
BUSI70430	Extended Work Placement	Elective	C	SUP/AU	40
				Credit Total	120

Progression and Classification
Award and Classification for Postgraduate Students **Award of a Postgraduate Degree (including MRes)** To qualify for the award of a postgraduate degree a student must have: 1. accumulated credit to the value of no fewer than 90 credits at level 7 or above 2. and no more than 15 credits as a Compensated Pass; **Classification of Postgraduate Taught Awards** The university sets the class of Degree that may be awarded as follows: 1. Distinction: 70.00% or above 2. Merit: 60.00% or above but less than 70.00%. 3. Pass: 50.00% or above but less than 60.00%. For a Masters, your classification will be determined through the Programme Overall Weighted Average meeting the threshold for the relevant classification band. Your degree algorithm provides an appropriate and reliable summary of your performance against the programme learning outcomes. It reflects the design, delivery, and structure of your programme without unduly over-emphasising particular aspects.
Programme Specific Regulations
N/A

Supporting Information
The Programme Handbook is available at: https://www.imperial.ac.uk/business-school/programmes/programme-information/
The Module Handbook is available via the Hub once the module commences. Module descriptions are available in the Programme Handbook.
Imperial's entry requirements for postgraduate programmes can be found at: www.imperial.ac.uk/study/apply/postgraduate-taught/entry-requirements/
Imperial's Quality & Enhancement Framework is available at: www.imperial.ac.uk/registry/proceduresandregulations/qualityassurance
Imperial's Academic and Examination Regulations can be found at: www.imperial.ac.uk/about/governance/academic-governance/regulations
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