Stage 1 (Pre-Master’s) - Business

Duration: 1 semester

Intakes: January, June & September

Portsmouth Business School (PBS) is a large, vibrant and successful business school offering a full range of degree programmes. Ranked among the top 40 in the UK for Business and Management (Guardian University Guide 2017), PBS is considered one the leading business schools on the south coast of England. The School has won international recognition by one of the world’s leading accreditation bodies (EPAS) for the high quality of its business courses, and is a Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM) Accredited Study Centre.

The Pre-Master’s has been designed for students who wish to study one of the following University of Portsmouth Master’s degree courses:

* [MSc Business and Management](http://www.port.ac.uk/courses/business-and-management/msc-business-and-management/)

*This dynamic programme will prepare you for a wide variety of different careers in all kinds of organisations, It will provide you with the knowledge and skills in order to ‘hit the ground running’ once you graduate and move into a business or management role. It will particularly suit those of you who wish to pursue a broad-based postgraduate management Master’s.*

* [MSc Human Resource Management](http://www.port.ac.uk/courses/business-and-management/msc-human-resource-management/)

*It is an intensive vocationally-focused qualification for those who wish to become, or develop further, as a qualified professional working in human resource management.*

* [MSc International Business Management](https://www.icp.navitas.com/programmes/pg-business)\*

*New for September 2017.*

* [MSc International Human Resource Management](http://www.port.ac.uk/courses/business-and-management/msc-international-human-resource-management/)

*The globalisation of business means that the management of people has become an international activity. It cannot be assumed that what is effective in one country can be automatically transferred to another country, even when it is within the same organisation.*

* [MSc Innovation Management and Entrepreneurship](http://www.port.ac.uk/courses/business-and-management/msc-innovation-management-and-entrepreneurship/)

*This exciting Master’s course will provide you with the knowledge and understanding to develop and launch new products and services, manage small enterprises and generate new ideas and opportunities. It will equip you in your future career to create an entrepreneurial environment that will facilitate innovation and stimulate growth.*

* [MA Marketing](http://www.port.ac.uk/courses/business-and-management/ma-marketing/)

*Our course is designed to update your knowledge and enhance your understanding of the principles and theories underlying effective marketing practice and provide you with leading edge contemporary marketing skills. You will explore this dynamic and challenging field to an advanced level.*

* [MSc Project Management](http://www.port.ac.uk/courses/business-and-management/msc-project-management/)

*Project management is key to successful implementation of strategic change in any organisation. This programme develops your academic skills in modelling and evaluating the process of project management, allowing you to develop strategic and practical approaches in a wide variety of business environments.*

* [MSc Risk, Crisis and Resilience Management](http://www.port.ac.uk/courses/business-and-management/msc-risk-crisis-and-resilience-management/)

*Risk Managers and those responsible for the continuity of business during periods of crisis can be found in all organisations across the globe. This can be a fast-paced, adrenaline-pumping and incredibly exciting role for those who like to take on challenges to ensure their organisations can withstand all sorts of environmental, technological and unpredictable situations. Resilience is key for organisations in today’s turbulent times and risk managers are fundamental to achieving this.*

* [MSc Sports Management](http://www.port.ac.uk/courses/sports-science/msc-sports-management/)

*The sports industry is an exciting, dynamic environment that requires people with ambition, expertise and management skills; people with the desire and ability to lead, plan and deliver. The integration of theory and practice within this course will enable you to improve your knowledge specific to the sector while developing appropriate skills in a sport management context.*

* [MSc Strategic Quality Management](http://www.port.ac.uk/courses/business-and-management/msc-strategic-quality-management/)

*This course is suitable for graduates wishing to build a professional career in Quality and Business Improvement, as well as experienced professionals who want to develop knowledge, understanding and business management and skills in Quality and Business Improvement. It will lead to an advanced qualification that will support your practical industry knowledge and experience.*

[\*September](https://www.icp.navitas.com/programmes/pg-business) only

**Course information**

One credit is equivalent to 10 hours of learning. This programme is comprised of 80 credit points, equivalent to 800 notional hours comprised of 216 contact hours and 584 self-directed hours. You will study the following modules over one semester:

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| **Module Name** | **Module Code** | **Core/ Option** | **Credit** | **Assessment Type** | **Weighting (%)** |
| Research Methods for PG Study  **Contact hours per week:** **6h** | PGMB101 | Core | 20 | (A) Protocol for mini-dissertation | 30 |
| (B) Final 2 hour closed book exam | 70 |
| Principles of Business and Management  **Contact hours per week:** **6h** | PGMB102 | Core | 20 | (A) Group based business plan project (2000 words) | 40 |
| (B) Final 2 hour closed book exam | 60 |
| Interactive Learning Skills and Communication  **Contact hours per week:** **6h** | ILSCPGB | Core | 20 | (A) Comparison of two opposing theoretical positions | 30 |
| (B) Chairing a meeting to secure productive outcomes | 20 |
| (C) Critique of a published academic paper in the relevant subject domain | 40 |
| (D) 2 hour closed book exam | 10 |
| Mini Dissertation  **Contact hours per week:** **3h** | PGMB103 | Core | 20 | (A) Dissertation | 100 |

You will be required to pass all modules (80 credits) in order to successfully complete Stage 2 (Master’s Degree).