



Swansea University
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FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

POSTGRADUATE STUDENT HANDBOOK

YEAR 4 (FHEQ LEVEL 7)

GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY AND CONSERVATION

SUBJECT SPECIFIC PART TWO OF TWO MODULE AND COURSE STRUCTURE 2025-26

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IMPORTANT

Term Dates

The 25-26 academic year begins on 29 September 2025

Full term dates can be found [here](#)

Academic Integrity

Swansea University and the Faculty of Science of Engineering takes any form of **academic misconduct** very seriously. In order to maintain academic integrity and ensure that the quality of an Award from Swansea University is not diminished, it is important to ensure that all students are judged on their ability. No student should have an unfair advantage over another as a result of academic misconduct - whether this is in the form of **Plagiarism**, **Collusion** or **Commissioning**.

It is important that you are aware of the **guidelines** governing Academic Misconduct within the University/Faculty of Science and Engineering and the possible implications. The Faculty of Science and Engineering will not take intent into consideration and in relation to an allegation of academic misconduct - there can be no defence that the offence was committed unintentionally or accidentally.

Please ensure that you read the University webpages covering the topic – procedural guidance [here](#) and further information [here](#). You should also read the Faculty Part One handbook fully, in particular the pages that concern Academic Misconduct/Academic Integrity.

The difference between compulsory and core modules

Compulsory modules must be **pursued** by a student.

Core modules must not only be **pursued**, but also **passed** before a student can proceed to the next level of study or qualify for an award. Failures in core modules must be redeemed.

Further information can be found under “Modular Terminology” on the following link - <https://myuni.swansea.ac.uk/academic-life/academic-regulations/taught-guidance/essential-info-taught-students/your-programme-explained/>

Key Programme Staff

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MSc (FHEQ Level 7) 2025/26
Global Biodiversity and Conservation
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Compulsory Modules

Semester 1 Modules	Semester 2 Modules
<u>BIOM22</u> Advanced Techniques in Biodiversity Assessment 20 Credits Prof LJ Roberts	<u>BIOM32</u> Ecosystems: Ecology, Conservation & Resource Management 20 Credits Prof CA Froyd
<u>BIOM700</u> Science Skills and Research Methods 20 Credits Prof MS Fowler/Dr C Pimiento/Dr KL Wells	<u>BIOM750P</u> Preparation for Research Project 0 Credits Dr AP Devine
Dissertation <u>BIOM750</u> Research Project 60 Credits Dr AP Devine	
Total 180 Credits	

Optional Modules

Choose exactly 20 credits

<u>BIOM19</u>	Endangered Species and The Red List	Dr AP Devine/Dr N Esteban	TB1	20
<u>GEGM22</u>	Geographical Information Systems	Prof AJ Luckman/Prof RJ Fry	TB1	20

And

Choose exactly 40 credits

Students can only choose one international field trip module (BIOM17/BIOM706)

<u>BIOM17</u>	Global Biodiversity Challenges in the Himalaya	Prof LJ Roberts	TB2	20
<u>BIOM704</u>	Conservation of Aquatic Resources	Dr CE Davies/Dr MPS Gwilliam	TB2	20
<u>BIOM706</u>	Species Conservation Planning in Tropical Marine Systems	Dr N Esteban	TB2	20
<u>LAAM41</u>	Law and the Nature Crisis	Dr VA Jenkins	TB2	20