REPRODUCTIVE SCIENCE AND WOMEN'S HEALTH MRes
2017/18 ENTRY

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The UCL Institute for Women’s Health is an internationally recognised centre of excellence and leading provider of postgraduate taught programmes in women’s health. This new MRes gives students the opportunity to take a programme with greater emphasis on research skills and experience, and on development of transferable academic and professional skills.

Degree summary

Students choose taught modules and select research areas from a variety of subjects across reproductive science and women’s health, spanning the four themes of the institute: maternal and fetal health; neonatology; women’s cancer; and reproductive health. Students learn how to conduct an independent research project. They will also gain practical experience and theoretical understanding in research methodologies and critical analysis.

The UCL Institute for Women’s Health delivers excellence in research, clinical practice, education and training in order to make a real and sustainable difference to women’s and babies’ health worldwide.

The institute houses the UK’s largest group of academics working in women’s health. The UCL/UCL Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust collaboration provides an academic environment in which students can pursue graduate studies with world-class researchers and clinicians. We offer excellent basic science facilities, opportunities to work in cutting-edge clinical and translational research, and expertise in study methodology.

A comprehensive careers programme is embedded in all our degrees. This ensures students are exposed to a range of different job opportunities. We have alumni who give talks on their disparate career journeys.

In addition to taught modules and the long research project, there is a full induction week at the start of the programme and six careers afternoons. A comprehensive range of assessment methods cover the key research, communication and practical skills required for future employment.

Degree structure

Mode: Full-time: 1 year; Part-time: 2 years; Flexible: up to 5 years
Location: London, Bloomsbury
Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of four optional modules (60 credits) and a research project (120 credits).

CORE MODULES

- All students undertake an independent research project in women’s health.
- Students may choose to focus on a laboratory or non-laboratory project (such as a social or ethical-based project), or an epidemiology project (analysing cohort or registry data).

OPTIONAL MODULES

- Basic Genetics and Technology
- Breast and Reproductive Cancer
- Female Reproductive Anatomy, Physiology and Pathology
- Gametogenesis, Preimplantation Development and IVF
- Pregnancy and Childbirth
- Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis and New Technology
- Prenatal Diagnosis and Screening
- Reproductive Health
- Perinatal Epidemiology and Maternal Health*
- Sexual Health: Designing Sexual and Reproductive Health Programmes in Low and Middle Income Countries*
- Leadership and Professional Development*
- Research Methodology and Statistics*
- Understanding Research and Critical Appraisal*

DISSERTATION/RESEARCH PROJECT

- The independent research project in women’s health culminates in a dissertation of 20,000 words. Students will be involved in the conceptualisation, design, data collection, analysis, interpretation and presentation of the project. This will allow the development of research skills in a specific field as well as a range of transferable skills, including literature searching, statistical analysis and written and verbal communication.
Your career

The first cohort of students on this programme will graduate in 2018. We expect the programme will prepare science-orientated students to go on to further research. Medically-orientated students may wish to develop their careers in the field of reproductive science and women’s health or undertake further research.

Employability

The programme provides students with an excellent introduction to research both in the UK and overseas. It will equip them with the general and scientific skills required to embark on lifelong careers in research and related fields.
Entry requirements

To be eligible for registration, normally a candidate must have obtained a minimum of an upper second-class Bachelor’s degree in a relevant science-based discipline, or a medical qualification (MBBS) from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard.

**English language proficiency level**

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Good.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

// why you want to study Reproductive Science and Women’s Health at graduate level
// why you want to study Reproductive Science and Women’s Health at UCL
// what particularly attracts you to the chosen programme
// how your personal, academic and professional background meets the demands of a challenging academic environment
// where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

FEES AND FUNDING 2017/18 ENTRY

// UK: £11,420 (FT), £5,630 (PT)
// EU: £11,420 (FT), £5,630 (PT)
// Overseas: £25,890 (FT), £12,950 (PT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Current Students website.

Fees for flexible, modular study are charged pro-rata to the appropriate full-time Master’s fee taken in an academic session.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 1 September 2017

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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EU referendum

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to www.ucl.ac.uk/eu-referendum

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