4.7. Expectations & guidance for studying

It is assumed that students possess or will develop a high degree of academic maturity. There is an onus on students to prepare prior to modules, undertake background and complementary reading, and to work independently as part of their self-study workload. Lectures provide a framework and the foundations of a student's learning but there is also a substantial degree of student workload associated with a student populating his/her knowledge: the self-discovery of ideas, reflecting upon their learning and applying and practising the topic through structured examples and allocated work and through self-motivated means.

It is expected that students will: attend all lectures (except where elements of a module are explicitly delivered via an asynchronous online or distance mode); make adequate preparations for lectures and tutorials; regularly reflect upon their learning; undertake examples and supplementary exercises directed by the lecturer; undertake a very significant proportion of self-directed learning to achieve the learning outcomes of a module; take primary responsibility for their learning; present themselves as required for all assessments; adhere to all the policies and procedures of the University.

Students must demonstrate consideration and respect for their fellow students and lecturers. Disruptive behaviour in classes will result in the culprit being asked to leave the class or the cancellation of the class and the behaviour being reported to the Head of School. Students should arrive at lectures on time, remain until the end of the lecture and allow class participation and engagement.

All students must behave appropriately whilst on the programme and treat peers, colleagues, lecturers and other students with dignity and respect. The School believes that all individuals should be treated equally, fairly and with dignity and respect. It therefore does not tolerate bullying, harassment or discrimination and will take prompt action if informed of such behaviour. Any issues of behaviour or conduct will be referred immediately to the Head of School and the policies and penalties of the University invoked as appropriate. Students will be held responsible for any damage they cause to University property.