

Changes to your course for Academic Year 2020/2021 due to COVID-19:

BA (Hons) English and Media

In light of the ongoing impact of COVID-19, we have reviewed all courses to build in additional flexibility to ensure learning and teaching can be delivered in a variety of circumstances during the Academic Year 2020/21. Please see below for information about how your course is being adapted.

In the Academic Year 2020/21 your course will be delivered via a blend of learning and teaching which will take place on campus and through online platforms and materials. We estimate that approximately a quarter of your course will be delivered through on-campus teaching in Semester 1, with the rest delivered online, including through virtual classrooms in Microsoft Teams, our virtual learning environment (Moodle) and other online materials and tasks. There will, however, be variations for some courses. Once finalised in the coming weeks, your timetable will provide more information about your teaching sessions. Our oncampus teaching has been shaped around our social distancing system which has naturally reduced the campus capacity. However, when circumstances allow, we will aim to relax distancing measures and offer further teaching on campus.

Approach to teaching and learning in the Department of Communications

In the Department of Communications, there is a strong focus on practical workshops, applied learning and putting theory-into-practice, alongside traditional academic modules. All courses will be delivered in a blended format for Academic Year 2020/21. This will include pre-recorded lectures, with structured preparatory tasks in advance of live sessions in the virtual classroom on Microsoft Teams. These virtual classroom sessions will be used to engage you in a range of tasks and discussions which will be followed by further activities to reinforce learning. Staff will also make use of Moodle for learning activities and assessment.

We intend to deliver small group teaching and practical workshops on campus. These will include practical journalism, live production, film, radio and television workshops, as well as other small group teaching as appropriate. Production work has been carefully planned to ensure alternative approaches to production work can be deployed should further social distancing/lockdown restrictions be imposed and to ensure you can access appropriate equipment and software. You will also have tutorials with your lecturers and your personal tutor which may be delivered either on campus or using Microsoft Teams.

Module changes in more detail

| Course | Level | Module code and name | Change |
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| BA (Hons) English and Media | 4 | - | No changes |
| BA (Hons) English and Media | 5 | ENG5732 Constructions of Gender | Assessment change: • Timing of Assessment 1 (2,000-word Essay, 50%) changed to end of semester 1 and after Assessment 2 (10-minute Presentation, 50%) |
| BA (Hons) English and Media | 6 | - | No changes |

Get in touch

If you have any questions about your course you can contact us at: HOSAdmin@leedstrinity.ac.uk