

Media and Creative Industries (TECHNE DTP) PhD

Design Innovation (TECHNE DTP) PhD

Academic Year 2023/24

Awarding body	Loughborough University
Teaching institution (if different)	Royal Holloway University of London Brunel University, London Kingston University University of Brighton University of Roehampton University of the Arts London University of Surrey University of Westminster
Programme title	Media and Creative Industries (TECHNE DTP) Design Innovation (TECHNE DTP)
Primary award	Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) or Master of Philosophy (MPhil)
Mode of Study	Full-time and Part-time
Programme length	Students will receive studentship funding for 3.5 years (full-time) and 7 years (part-time). Students are expected to submit their thesis for examination within the funded period.
Owning school/department	Loughborough University London
Campus	London
Admissions criteria	https://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/research-degrees/
Date at which the programme specification was published	

Accreditation

None

Programme Aims

The programme aims to support outstanding students pursuing the 'craft' of research through innovative, interdisciplinary approaches with an emphasis on creativity and practice. The technē consortia is bound by a collective commitment to valuing interdisciplinary research, particularly that which pushes the boundaries of arts and humanities research into science and social science. There is an emphasis on the interchange between the material, embodied practices of existing fields in the arts and humanities and digital creativity.

The programme will equip students with the skills to design and carry out a research project, resulting in a thesis or practice-based PhD which will provide a contribution to knowledge and contain original work worthy of publication.

The programme will provide training in research methods appropriate to arts and humanities, and allow students to become well acquainted with the general field of knowledge to which their research project relates.

Benchmarks

Relevant subject benchmark statements and other external and internal reference points used to inform programme outcomes:

The Frameworks for Higher Education Qualifications of UK Degrees
Doctoral Degree Characteristics Statement (QAA)
Credit Level Descriptors for Higher Education (SEEC)
Loughborough University Quality Reviews
Research Council Annual and Mid-term Reviews

Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and Understanding

On completion of the PhD studies, students should:

- The creation, development and implementation of a significant programme of research that will lead to new knowledge disseminated through the production of a PhD thesis;
- have a thorough knowledge of the literature and a comprehensive understanding of relevant methods and techniques applicable to their research;
- be able to demonstrate originality in the application of knowledge, together with a practical understanding of how research and enquiry are used to create and interpret knowledge in their field;
- have developed the ability to critically evaluate current research and research techniques and methodologies;
- have self-direction and originality in tackling and solving problems;
- have knowledge of and be able to apply appropriate methods used in their field;
- be able to act autonomously in the planning and implementation of research; and
- have the ability to report research outcomes in an appropriate way for the intended audience.

Skills and other attributes

Subject-specific cognitive skills:

See above

Subject-specific practical skills:

See above

Key transferable skills:

See above

University Regulations

University Regulations for Postgraduate Research study are set out in [Regulation XXVI](#) (Higher Degrees by Research).

Please see the [Terms and Conditions of Study](#) for detailed information on your contract with the University.

Programme structure

Part R1

Students will complete the following:

80 hours of generic skills training (on an attendance basis)

Any other requirements to be stipulated by the School

Submission of a 1,000-word research report after 6 months (part-time students only)

Submission of a 2,000-word research report at the mid-way point of Part 1 and submission of a satisfactory 10,000-word research report (end of Part report) towards the end of Part 1 in accordance with the provisions of Regulation XXVI.

Typically, the timetable for reports in R1 will follow the schedule below.

Time spent in R1	6 months	12 months	24 months
Full-time	2,000-word mid-part report	10,000-word end of part report	
Part-time	1,000-word research report	2,000-word mid-part report	10,000-word end of part report

Part R2

Doctoral Researchers will complete the following:

80 hours of generic skills training (on an attendance basis)

Any other requirements to be stipulated by the School

PhD candidates: Submission of a mid-part review for part time Doctoral Researchers, and a satisfactory 10,000-word research report (end of Part report) towards the end of Part R2 in accordance with the provisions of Regulation XXVI.

Typically, the timetable for reports in R2 will follow the schedule below.

Time spent in R2	12 months	24 months
Full-time	10,000-word end of part report	
Part-time	Mid-part report	10,000-word end of part report

MPhil candidates: Submission of their formal MPhil thesis for examination in accordance with the provisions of Regulation XXVI at the end of part R2.

Part R3

Doctoral Researchers will complete the following:

80 hours of generic skills training (on an attendance basis)

Any other requirements to be stipulated by the School

Mid-part reviews

Submission of a written report detailing the plan for submission (mid-Part report, expected 12 months into R3 for full-time Doctoral Researchers, and at 12 months and 24 months into R3 for part-time Doctoral Researchers).

Submission

At the end of R3, submission of a formal PhD thesis for examination in accordance with the provisions of Regulation XXVI.

Typically, the timetable for reports in R3 will follow the schedule below.

Time spent in R3	12 months	18 months	24 months	36 months
Full-time	Mid-Part report	PhD submission		
Part-time	Mid-part report	-	Mid-Part report	PhD submission

Criteria for Progression and Degree Award

To progress from Part R1 to Part R2 and from Part R2 to Part R3, and to be eligible for an award, candidates must satisfy the assessment requirements set out in [Regulation XXVI](#). Candidates must complete all the requirements for each Part outlined above in order to progress to the next Part. If an end of part report does not meet the standards required for progression, candidates may undertake further work and resubmit the report on one occasion only in accordance with the provisions of [Regulation XXVI](#).