Birkbeck, University of London

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* National Student Surveys 2006–2012
Aims

This mid-career Masters programme is designed for those with a degree in information systems, computing, management; or extensive experience in the deployment of information systems in organisations, or the management of IT. It will build on students' understanding of information systems and management, offering the opportunity to study these areas at an advanced level. Students who complete the programme successfully will have gained an in-depth theoretical and practical knowledge in their chosen area of study, which they will be able to use in:

- analysis of problems
- evaluation of technology options
- deployment of appropriate solutions
- research into, or development and deployment of, new information-based technologies.

This programme will be of particular interest to those who seek a career path change to be either more management-oriented or to develop technical skills.

Special features

It will build on students' understanding of information systems and management, offering the opportunity to study at an advanced level. There is a focus on IS Project Management, and those already holding particular Project Management certificates may gain some credit on the programme.

Programme contents

Students complete the taught element of the programme by supplementing core subjects such as:

- Information Systems
- Project Management for Informatics.

With selected subjects, such as:

- Strategic Information Systems Planning
- Computer Systems
- Internet and Web Technologies
- Digital Creativity and New Media Management.

Entry requirements

The normal entrance requirements are a good first degree in Computer Science, Information Systems or Management. You must be an EU citizen or otherwise have the right to work full-time in the UK in order to enrol in a part-time course.