MSc IT

Induction 2017/18
MSc IT vs MSc CS

• Higher flexibility
  – Only 3 compulsory modules
  – Options in both computing and management

• Slower pace (in studying programming)
  – ISD = 2/3 PIJ
    • Spread in two terms
    • Less steep learning curve:
      using Python rather than Java
  – SEP is more practical than FOC
I Have a Question

- First, check the [programme handbook](#)!  
  - The most up-to-date version is always [online](#)  
  - The version = the date of last edit
- Second, check the [intranet](#)!
- Third, ask the [programme administrator](#)!
- Then, ask the corresponding module tutor!
- Last but not least, contact the programme director 8-)
Module Choices

• PT: 3 or 4 modules (incl. ISD) in year 1
  FT: 7 modules altogether
  – Note that ISD has 30 credits, while each other module has 15 credits.

• See the last page of the programme handbook
  It will be done online from this year onward.

• Due in two weeks!
Three Possible Paths

• (1) **Transfer** to MSc CS halfway
  – Only available to Part-Time (PT) students who have passed the **primer course**.

• (2) **Computing** Oriented
  – Possibility to top-up

• (3) **Management** Oriented
(1) Transfer to MSc CS

• Choose **ISD, IS, FOC,** and CS
  – PT: Pass all of them in the 1\textsuperscript{st} year, and then you will be an MSc CS student in the 2\textsuperscript{nd} year
(2) Computing Oriented

• Choose **ISD, IS, SEP, SDP, INS/IWT** + *Software Implementation* Project
  – Possibility to top-up the degree to MSc CS: Add PIJ, DKM, FOC, CS
  – All (or more) optional modules from the Dept of CSIS
  – Project: Software Implementation
    • Same as MSc CS students
    • Accredited by the BCS
(3) Management Oriented

- Choose **ISD, IS, SEP, and RMM1 + Research Dissertation** Project
  - PT: Enough modules for year 1
  - All (or more) optional modules from the Dept of MGMT or GEDS
  - Project: Research Dissertation
Major Changes

• In 2017/18, SEWN will not run due to the module tutor’s teaching sabbatical.

• In 2018/19, SEWN will be scheduled on Thursdays in the evening (18:00 – 21:00) and therefore become available for 2nd year part-time students.
Mentoring Pathways

• Find the information here.
• If you would like to get involved please email mentoring@bbk.ac.uk
Career Development

http://www.bbk.ac.uk/careers/

• Careers and Employability Service
  – http://www.bbk.ac.uk/careers/careers-service

• Birkbeck Talent Recruitment Service
  – http://www.bbk.ac.uk/careers/birkbeck-talent

• UpScale Programme
  – http://www.upscaleprogramme.com/

• Careers Group, University of London
  – https://www.thecareersgroup.co.uk/
Birkbeck Informatics Society

Connecting Minds / Peer Support / Hackathons
Drinks / Workshops / Society Trips (UK & Europe)

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www.birkbeckunion.org/groups/informatics-society

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