**Programme title: PG Diploma in Practitioner Forensic Psychology**

**Programme content**

We have been in contact with all students providing updates and weekly check-ins throughout this period. You have all had to make changes to the way you work and how your work (or placement) and your study interact. Some of you have been maintaining clinical, client facing work and some of you have not, all of you have had to make changes to how you work. Thank you for doing this thoughtfully and in line with the policies and procedures set out by your employers. There are some people who have had specific pieces of work cancelled or rescheduled and it is important you keep us updated with how this is impacting in your progress towards qualification. We will be asking specific questions related to this as we approach the exam boards. Please make sure that you are connected to the MS Teams group and engage with the updates and discussions on there.

All the learning outcomes of the programme will be maintained.

Your course will continue to be delivered through the core modules that are specified for your programme. Crucially, this means that all of the learning outcomes for your programme will be maintained.

**Programme length**

We do not anticipate changes to the length of the programme unless public health guidance changes significantly.

**Programme delivery**

The programme will be delivered using a combination of on-campus (if possible) and online teaching activities. Due to the constraints of social distancing we may have to limit places on workshops delivered in person. We will be providing details about dates and times of all workshops (face to face, online, recorded and live sessions). We are designing this curriculum to enable flexibility to be able to switch to fully online delivery if there are further local restrictions.

We are currently busy establishing how much of your scheduled learning will be time spent on-campus. We are aiming to have this information in our next communication which will be in August. We expect this to be no more than a maximum of 4 days over the course of the programme.

**Programme cost**

There are no changes to the fees for the programme.

However, you should familiarise yourself with the normal additional costs for your programme. These are detailed on our website via this link:

 [Postgraduate Fees information](https://www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/study/finance/Pages/Postgraduate%2C-Research-and-Part-Time-Students-.aspx)

**Assessment**

Our overall assessment strategy will remain unchanged, in that we will aim to assess all of your module learning outcomes. After our experiences of the first lockdown, we are designing inclusive and alternative assessments so that you will not be disadvantaged in the event of increased local restrictions being imposed. Specific assessment briefs will be provided, as normal, in your module handbooks, which will be available prior to the start the module.

**Award**

There is no change to the qualification awarded.

**Teaching location**

We are currently planning to deliver a proportion of your learning on the University campus estate, whilst following Government guidelines around social distancing. The campus is being populated with clear signage, one-way systems, safety screens, and sanitizer dispensers. We are modelling our provision based upon 2 metre, 1.5 metre and 1 metre distancing, to allow us to be as flexible as possible in preparation for October. As outlined in the programme delivery information above, we are planning to deliver your programme through a mixture of face-to-face, on-campus delivery, and online learning packages. All support will be designed to ensure that no student is disadvantaged in meeting the required learning outcomes of their modules.

When considering placements we continue to expect you to adhere to the guidance, policies and procedures of your employer.

**Complaints**

The information provided by the School (above) is the most recent available, taking account all the amendments to the Programme that have been made due to the Covid19 pandemic. Any further amendments will be brought to your attention as quickly as possible.

If you have any issues with the changes that have been implemented, then we would ask that you formalise your issue via the University Complaints Policy and Procedure. A link to the same can be found using:

<http://www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/registry/Pages/Complaints.aspx>

Procedural advice is available from the Complaints Manager who can be contacted on email at complaints@cardiffmet.ac.uk.