

PLANETARY SCIENCES (SEPTEMBER START) (MSc/PgDip/PgCert)

57F52SB1/61F52SVX/61F52SVZ

Duration: 12 months full-time or normally 24 months part-time (MSc)

Content: Candidates shall be required to attend the following designated courses:

FULL-TIME ROUTE

Stage 1 (1st Semester)

- PD5006 Getting Started at the University of Aberdeen (0 credit points)
- GL5062 Comparative Planetology and the Atmosphere of Earth (15 credit points)
- GL5063 Basics of Remote Sensing and Geospatial Analysis (15 credit points)
- GL5064 Spectroscopy, Radiative Transfer and Retrieval (15 credit points)
- GL5065 Instrumentation, Design and Data for Planetary Exploration (15 credit points)

Stage 2 (2nd Semester)

- GL5561 Earth and Planetary Surface and Internal Processes (15 credit points)
- GL5562 Space Weather and Radiation (15 credit points)
- GL5563 Astrobiology, Biogeochemistry and Geobiology for Explorers (15 credit points)
- GL5564 Sustainable Deep Space Exploration and Planetary Protection (15 credit points)

Stage 3 (2nd Semester)

- GL5966 Planetary Sciences Dissertation (60 credit points)

PART-TIME ROUTE

Year 1

1st Semester

- PD5006 Getting Started at the University of Aberdeen (0 credit points)

Plus two courses from:

- GL5062 Comparative Planetology and the Atmosphere of Earth (15 credit points)
- GL5063 Basics of Remote Sensing and Geospatial Analysis (15 credit points)
- GL5064 Spectroscopy, Radiative Transfer and Retrieval (15 credit points)
- GL5065 Instrumentation, Design and Data for Planetary Exploration (15 credit points)

2nd Semester

Plus two courses from:

- GL5561 Earth and Planetary Surface and Internal Processes (15 credit points)
- GL5562 Space Weather and Radiation (15 credit points)
- GL5563 Astrobiology, Biogeochemistry and Geobiology for Explorers (15 credit points)
- GL5564 Sustainable Deep Space Exploration and Planetary Protection (15 credit points)

Year 2

1st Semester

The remaining two courses from:

- GL5062 Comparative Planetology and the Atmosphere of Earth (15 credit points)
- GL5063 Basics of Remote Sensing and Geospatial Analysis (15 credit points)
- GL5064 Spectroscopy, Radiative Transfer and Retrieval (15 credit points)
- GL5065 Instrumentation, Design and Data for Planetary Exploration (15 credit points)

2nd Semester

The remaining two courses from:

- GL5561 Earth and Planetary Surface and Internal Processes (15 credit points)
- GL5562 Space Weather and Radiation (15 credit points)
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Plus

- GL5966 Planetary Sciences Dissertation (60 credit points)

Assessment: By coursework, by written examination, or by a combination of these, as prescribed for each course. Please see individual course entries in the *Postgraduate Catalogue of Courses*, or departmental documentation, for further details. The degree of MSc shall not be awarded to a candidate who fails to complete the dissertation at CGS Grade of D3 or above, irrespective of their performance in other courses.