Programme change proposals

At York each degree programme has its own, tailored set of distinctive learning outcomes. These won't change, no matter what your location or mode of delivery, and our academics are working hard to ensure your programmes and modules next year continue to inspire and motivate you.

Your health and safety is our number one priority and in light of the Covid-19 pandemic we have needed to make changes to some of your programmes of study for the coming academic year. This document summarises the changes that are proposed.

Programme(s)	MSc Safety-Critical Safety Engineering (PT and FT) PGDip System Safety Engineering (PT) PGCert System Safety Engineering (PT)

Summary of Overall Plans
Students on our Postgraduate Taught (PGT) programmes will be invited to engage in learning in a variety of ways, with flexibility built in to allow us to maximise face-to-face teaching in line with any shifts in the Government guidance on physical distancing. We are working with timetabling to find the best solutions, giving all students some physical face-to-face opportunities. For those students who are not able to attend campus, as well as those who might be self-isolating, we will be providing alternative learning provision online which will usually be a timetabled online version of the classroom based activity. Lectures will be pre-recorded and put on the Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) which will give you the opportunity to watch and digest them at your own pace, and in a way that best suits your working patterns. In addition, other activities for the week, and face-to-face teaching will be provided both in classrooms and online.

Programme Structures
We are also withdrawing the module Software Requirements (SWRE) from MSc Safety-Critical Systems Engineering, and have added a new module Advanced Topics in Safety (ATIS). For 2020/21 Human Factors for Safety (HUFS) has been suspended. These decisions are only loosely related to the current situation, Some of the modules on the MSc Safety-Critical Systems Engineering have been moved slightly, with asynchronous teaching. Below is a summary of the changes to modules in Computer Science programmes: Computer Science Schedule 2020/21

Further changes or information of note
For each of the modules in the Autumn term we have developed new content and activities to improve your learning experience in an exciting and rewarding way. We are also planning various engagement activities to welcome you in your first term with us. You will be supported in your studies by an academic supervisor.