

Medical Image Computing

MSc 180 credits. Postgraduate Diploma 120 credits.

The course has 8 modules each with 15 credits and a research project carrying 60 credits.

	Weeks 1-5	Weeks 6-10
Tuesday Term 1	Foundations of Anatomy and Scientific Computing MATLAB Linear Algebra Eigenvalues/SVD Optimisation <i>continues on Thursdays weeks 6-10</i>	Physics for Imaging and Therapy Interactions Detectors Sources Dosimetry Introduction to MRI Introduction to nuclear medicine Radiation Protection.
	Computer Assisted Radiology Human and Computer Reasoning and Perception Computer Aided Diagnosis Knowledge Representation and Ontologies Uncertainty Machine Learning <i>continues Thursdays weeks 6-10</i>	
Thursday Term 1	Computing and Statistics in Medicine Image Processing Computing and Medical Informatics Statistics, probability and error propagation, Signal Processing	Foundations of Anatomy and Scientific Computing <i>continues from Tuesdays weeks 1-5</i> Anatomy and Physiology
		Computer Assisted Radiology <i>see Tuesday weeks 1-5</i>
Tuesday Term 2	Medical Imaging (ionising) Diagnostic Radiology, CT, Nuclear Medicine, PET, Image reconstruction.	Medical Imaging (non-ionising) MRI, Ultrasound, Optical Imaging.
Thursday Term 2	Information Processing in Medical Imaging From voxels to information: tissue classification (supervised and unsupervised), object delineation. Segmentation algorithms in medical imaging. e.g. MASS or Analyze Registration theory and practice. Technologies to measure change over time. 4D analysis of motion, fusion of multiple modality images. Classification, Markov Random Fields, Monte Carlo Markov Chain, Bayes, MAP estimation. Regulatory Issues IPR, Copyright, licensing, QA, regulatory approval, anonymisation, data protection. C++, OOP Hands-on installation and use of packages and libraries e.g. SPM, FSL, Insight, vtk, viewing software.	Image Directed Analysis and Therapy Visualisation, rendering and interaction. Quantitative measures from images - volume measures (brain atrophy, ejection fraction, cartilage volume) - intensity measures (apparent diffusion coefficient, perfusion) - pharmacokinetic uptake measures Imaging bio-markers for clinical trials Anatomical model creation from images and statistics. Anatomical atlases. Geometric or population based shape models. Imaging in Radiotherapy Applications to Image Guided Surgery, treatment planning. Histological Correlations Imaging in the Life Sciences Case-studies
Term 3	Research Project (60 credits)	