Aims
A project is a major individual piece of work. It can be of academic nature and aimed at acquiring and demonstrating understanding and the ability to reason about some specific area of information security. Alternatively, the project work may document the ability to deal with a practical aspect of information security.

The project represents the key difference between the Postgraduate Diploma, which is a taught qualification, and the award of an MSc which incorporates this substantial piece of individual work.

Pre-requisites
An average of at least 50% in the Core element is required before proceeding to the Project.

Essential Reading

- Project Guide

Included as study material once registered on the course.

Assessment
This module is assessed by your dissertation and a two hour unseen written examination. This is then combined with the results in the other two elements to determine your qualification for the degree.

Learning Outcomes
The student will write a comprehensive dissertation on the topic of the project. On completion of the project students should have demonstrated their ability to:

- work independently on a security-related project, for which they have defined the objectives and rationale,
- apply knowledge about aspects of information security to a particular problem, which may be of an engineering, analytical or academic nature, and produce a well-structured report, including introduction, motivation, analysis, and appropriate references to existing work.