The Marine Environmental Management course in York is great; with friendly, approachable staff and with a variety of modules so you can cater the course to your particular marine interests while learning about many more! Having graduated in 2008 in environmental science and being concerned about re-entering the world of academia (having researched many different MSc courses), choosing York was the right move. If you love the marine environment and want to learn more about its habitats and species, threats and challenges, what’s being done and what can be done to help them then this is the course for you. Lectures, seminars, field work, lab sessions, group work and presentations all combine to give you a great set of transferable skills for the future. Highlights include spending my summer placement on the beautiful Brownsea Island in Dorset and a module diving in the Red Sea in Egypt learning new survey skills. There are plenty of computer rooms and study areas around campus to find a space to suit you, and access to many journals and publications online. You will most likely become well acquainted with the library and have lots of early starts and late finishes… but you’ll be surrounded by like-minded ‘MEMers’ and it’s worth every minute!

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