

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Sports Nutrition

Reference AS3038 Version 2 Created August 2021 SCQF Level SCQF 9 Approved March 2018 **SCQF** Points 15 Amended **ECTS Points** 7.5 August 2021

Aims of Module

To provide students with knowledge and understanding of the physiological, biochemical and nutritional principles applicable to the management of diet and performance in elite athletes.

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Discuss the principles of exercise physiology and physiological methods of assessing performance.
- 2 Discuss the principles of exercise biochemistry and biochemical methods of assessing performance.
- 3 Discuss the nutritional requirements and dietary assessment in sport.
- Evaluate nutritional interventions to improve performance in sport, including nutritional supplements and ergogenic aids.

Indicative Module Content

Professional regulatory bodies; physiological adaptations to exercise of varying intensity and duration to include neural, endocrine, musculoskeletal, cardiorespiratory, immunological and water homeostatic mechanisms; metabolic adaptations to exercise of varying intensity and duration to include fat, carbohydrate and protein metabolising pathways; physiological and biochemical mechanisms of exercise fatigue; nutritional consequences of physiological and metabolic demands in exercise and sport; hydration in exercise and sport; nutritional interventions to improve performance, such as carbohydrate loading, nutritional supplements and ergogenic aids; physiological, biochemical and nutritional means applicable to assessment of performance; any regulations applicable to relevant performance-enhancing strategies; effective translation of nutritional recommendations and meal planning for different scenarios.

Module Delivery

Theoretical material is delivered by lectures and tutorials, and supported by practicals.

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Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	45	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	105	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	N/A
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

ASSESSMENT PLAN

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

Component 1

Type: Examination Weighting: 100% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4

Description: Unseen, closed book examination.

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

Component 1 (examination, EX1) comprises 100% of the module grade. A minimum of a Grade D is required to pass the module.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:	
Α	A	
В	В	
С	С	
D	D	
E	E	
F	F	
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination	

Module Requirements	
Prerequisites for Module	Successful completion of Stage 2 or equivalent.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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