

## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Business Environment

Reference	BS1001	Version	4
Created	December 2023	SCQF Level	SCQF 7
Approved	July 2018	SCQF Points	30
Amended	March 2024	ECTS Points	15

### Aims of Module

To enable students to understand the underpinning theories and contemporary practices relating to business and management within today's changing business environment.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Consider the impact that the external environment has on organisations of all types.
- 2 Apply key management concepts, principles, theories and models in appropriate organisational settings and contexts to better understand impact on decision-making.
- 3 Show the effectiveness of corporate responsibility and professional ethics by considering how organisations and individuals apply codes of practice, morals, principles and governance models.
- 4 Recognise the contribution of innovation to business start-up, growth and longevity.

### Indicative Module Content

An overview of business and management theory and practice relating to organisations in the public, private and third sectors; understanding of contemporary approaches to business start up, innovation and growth; organisational structures and management functions. Corporate responsibility including governance, core values, ethical responsibility and CSR. Analysis of how commercial, political, legal, economic, socio-cultural, technological and ecological factors influence strategy within organisations including UNSDGs and how these can shape business decision making.

### Module Delivery

The module is delivered in Blended Learning mode using structured online learning materials/activities and directed study, facilitated by regular online tutor support. Workplace Mentor support and work-based learning activities will allow students to contextualise this learning to their own workplace. Face-to-face engagement occurs through annual induction sessions, employer work-site visits, and modular on-campus workshops.

**Indicative Student Workload**

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	30	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	30	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	240	N/A
TOTAL	300	N/A
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>	240	

**ASSESSMENT PLAN**

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

**Component 1**

Type:	Coursework	Weighting:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4
Description:	Report				

**MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR****Explanatory Text**

Component 1 comprises 100% of the module grade. To pass the module a D grade is required.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
<b>A</b>	A
<b>B</b>	B
<b>C</b>	C
<b>D</b>	D
<b>E</b>	E
<b>F</b>	F
<b>NS</b>	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

**Module Requirements**

Prerequisites for Module	None.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

**INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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- 3 THOMSON, E, WORTHINGTON, I. and BRITTON, C., 2023. *The Business Environment: a global perspective*. 9th ed. Harlow: Pearson.