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## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Business Analytics

Reference	BS2011	Version	1
Created	April 2018	SCQF Level	SCQF 8
Approved	June 2018	SCQF Points	15
Amended		ECTS Points	7.5

### Aims of Module

To enable students to develop an appreciation for the value of data for business decisions and provide them with a foundational knowledge of key developments in information systems, digital technology and big data

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Compare and contrast different types (structured and unstructured) of information systems.
- 2 Understand the current issues and developments in the use of digital technologies, big data and data analytics.
- 3 Demonstrate an understanding of the key approaches to data creation, data mining and data sharing.
- 4 Understand the challenges of using big data and data analytics within a business context.
- 5 Evaluate the importance of big data and how it can be used to add value and underpin organisational success.

### Indicative Module Content

Information systems, unstructured and structured data, developments in digital technologies, use of big data and data analytics, approaches to data mining/data storage/data sharing, data visualisation techniques, value of big data for business decisions.

### Module Delivery

Key concepts are introduced and illustrated through lectures and directed reading. The understanding of students is tested and further enhanced through interactive tutorials.

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	33	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	117	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	N/A
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

**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, 5  
 Description: This module will be assessed 100% by exam.

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

The calculation of the overall grade for this module is based on 100% weighing of C1. An overall minimum grade D is required to pass the module.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
<b>A</b>	70% or above
<b>B</b>	60-69%
<b>C</b>	50-59%
<b>D</b>	40-49%
<b>E</b>	35-39%
<b>F</b>	0-34%
<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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