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MODULE DESCRIPTOR					
Module Title					
Business Context					
Reference	BS2055	Version	2		
Created	August 2021	SCQF Level	SCQF 8		
Approved	March 2021	SCQF Points	30		
Amended	August 2021	ECTS Points	15		

Aims of Module

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

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Evaluate the impact that the external environment has on organisations of all types.
- Apply key management concepts, principles, theories and models in appropriate organisational settings and contexts to better understand impact on decision-making.
- Explain the impact of ethical and professional issues in organisational decisions, including codes of practice, morals, principles, and behaviours.
- 4 Understand the relevance of governance models and how they should be applied in a sector and/or organisation.
- 5 Evaluate the impact of commercial and contractual law and apply the key principles in organisational settings.

Indicative Module Content

An understanding of business and management theory and practice relating to organisations in the public, private and third sectors; understanding of contemporary approaches to 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.

Module Delivery

This module is delivered in supported online distance learning mode using a range of structured learning materials/activities and directed study, facilitated by regular online tutor contact, allowing students to contextualise their learning to their own workplace where appropriate.

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Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	N/A	30
Non-Contact Hours	N/A	270
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A	300
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: Coursework Weighting: 100% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

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:	
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 None.

Corequisites for module None.

Precluded Modules None.

INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

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