ROBERT GORDON UNIVERSITY ABERDEEN

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

European Union

Reference	BS2145	Version	5
Created	August 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 8
Approved	August 2017	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2017	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

The aim of this module is to introduce students to the European Union and, in particular, the historical background, the institutional framework, the policy-making process and selected policy areas.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

1	Understand the historical development of the EU.
2	Recognise and explain the contemporary significance of the European Union.
3	Explain EU policy making, procedures, institutions, and the workings of the EU.
4	Understand the impact of EU decisions on the UK.

Indicative Module Content

A historical background to the European Union, the development of the Union and Treaty changes, Institutions and Powers and the Policy-making process.

Module Delivery

This is a lecture based module supplemented with seminars.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	36	36
Non-Contact Hours	114	114
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	150
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:	Written Examination.				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

The module is assessed by one component: C1 - Examination - 100% weighting. Module Pass Mark = Grade D (40%)

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