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MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Literature Project

Reference	BS3112	Version	5
Created	February 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 9
Approved	June 2013	SCQF Points	15
Amended	May 2017	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

To provide students with the opportunity to undertake a piece of supervised, independent research into a topic of their own choice from the subject areas related to their degree.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Conduct a comprehensive literature search into their chosen subject.
- 2 Communicate effectively within a well structured literature review of 4 - 5000 words
- 3 Synthesise arguments and ideas in a manner which displays critical appraisal of their chosen topic.
- 4 Work independently with a minimal supervision.

Indicative Module Content

In order to facilitate successful completion of this module students will attend an introductory programme discussing literature review techniques and presentation.

Module Delivery

The literature review is undertaken throughout Semester 1. This is a supervised research based course supplemented with an introductory lectures and workshops. Students will be assigned to a literature review supervisor with whom they will meet to discuss progress.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	16	10
Non-Contact Hours	134	140
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	150
<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: Coursework Weighting: 100% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4
Description: Component 1 is a report

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

The module is assessed by one component: C1 - Coursework - 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 in addition to SCQF 9 entry requirements or equivalent.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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