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MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Literature Project

Reference	BS3112	Version	6
Created	March 2019	SCQF Level	SCQF 9
Approved	July 2019	SCQF Points	15
Amended	July 2019	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 specialism.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

1	Conduct a comprehensive subject specific literature search.
2	Communicate effectively within a well structured literature review.
3	Synthesise arguments and ideas in a manner which displays critical appraisal of their chosen topic.
4	Demonstrate the ability to work independently with minimal supervision.

Indicative Module Content

Setting aims and objectives in a literature review; selection of an appropriate subject specific topic; how to work with an academic supervisor; literature searching techniques.

Module Delivery

In order to facilitate successful completion of this module, students will attend an introductory lecture programme which will provide initial guidance on the literature review process. This will be supported by tutorial meetings with subject specific supervisors.

Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	16	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	134	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	N/A
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 |
| Description: | Literature Review |

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.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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