

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Company Law

Reference	BS3181	Version	4
Created	February 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 9
Approved	June 2017	SCQF Points	15
Amended	June 2017	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

To examine and understand the legal nature, operation and accountability of companies, their officers and their members.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Explain the structure and administration of a company.
- 2 Analyse the rights, duties and responsibilities of key company office-holders.
- 3 Critically analyse the principles of corporate governance and accountability of companies.
- 4 Appraise the consequences and remedies available in cases of financial difficulty or failure of companies.
- 5 Apply the knowledge and understanding of the operation of companies in practical situations.

Indicative Module Content

Nature of a company; distribution of power in the company; corporate governance; company meetings; duties and liabilities of directors, shareholders, auditors and company secretaries; company charges and other security interests of creditors in the company; receivership; predictions of company failure; corporate rescue; administration orders and voluntary arrangements; liquidations; vulnerable transactions; distribution of assets; criminal liability and dissolution of the company.

Module Delivery

This is a lecture and tutorial based module. Lectures provide core module content. Tutorials develop associated higher level skills through student centred learning.

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
<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: 30% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Description: Written coursework exercise

Component 2

Type: Examination Weighting: 70% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Description: Written examination

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

C1 - Coursework - 30% weighting. C2 - Examination - 70% weighting. Module Pass Mark = Grade D (40%)

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	At least 70% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component
B	At least 60% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component
C	At least 50% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component
D	At least 40% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component
E	At least 35% on weighted aggregate
F	Less than 35% on weighted aggregate
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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