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## 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:
<b>A</b>	At least 70% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component
<b>B</b>	At least 60% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component
<b>C</b>	At least 50% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component
<b>D</b>	At least 40% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component
<b>E</b>	At least 35% on weighted aggregate
<b>F</b>	Less than 35% on weighted aggregate
<b>NS</b>	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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