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MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Information Technology Law

Reference	BS4291	Version	4
Created	March 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 10
Approved	June 2017	SCQF Points	15
Amended	June 2017	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

To equip students with a working knowledge required to enable them to understand the nature of the Internet and the legal challenges it poses.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Discuss and evaluate the intellectual property law issues and the criminal law issues which arise from the use of information technology and computers.
- 2 Apply and develop legal principles of contract and intellectual property law, in the context of information technology and e-commerce.
- 3 Evaluate and discuss the relevant legal issues surrounding information technology, and appraise specialist IT concerns in a modern business environment.
- 4 Formulate solutions to relevant legal problems concerning information technology in a self directed way.

Indicative Module Content

The information society (nature, technology, industry and economy); intellectual property (Software copyright and patents, Internet copyright, Databases, Trade marks, online branding and domain name issues) E-Commerce and on line intermediaries (e.g. eBay, Google and Yahoo!); Internet regulation; Hi-Tech crime; Online and employee surveillance; Privacy; Data Protection, and; Online dispute resolution

Module Delivery

This is a lecture and seminar based module. Lectures provide core module content. Seminars 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
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:	30%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4
Description:	Written coursework exercise				

Component 2

Type:	Examination	Weighting:	70%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4
Description:	Written examination				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

The Module is assessed by two components: 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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