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## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Renewable Energy Issues

Reference	BSM109	Version	8
Created	February 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 11
Approved	September 2018	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2017	ECTS Points	7.5

### Aims of Module

To develop the student's knowledge of renewable energy issues. To explore the sustainable development of energy by examining a variety of environmental issues.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Critically analyse what is meant by renewable energy and the main issues associated with it.
- 2 Articulate the highlights of the key significance of the Brundtland Commission as the first internationally acceptable definition of sustainable development.
- 3 Critically discuss the role of legislative process in changing and enforcing standards in renewable energy usage.
- 4 Evaluate critically various types of renewable energy and its corresponding legal ramifications.

### Indicative Module Content

Introduction to renewable energies; its role in sustainable development; the corresponding legislation, regulations, protocols and treaties; the implementation and enforcement of the aforementioned

### Module Delivery

Lectures, seminars, assigned reading, case studies, group activities, directed reading/research and a coursework assignment

### 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  
 Description: Distance Learning: Forum postings (Weighting: 30%). Forum postings are assessed according to five criteria - frequency, follow-up, content contribution, references and clarity. On Campus: One coursework essay (Weighting: 30%)

**Component 2**

Type: Coursework Weighting: 70% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Description: One coursework essay (Weighting: 70%)

**MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR****Explanatory Text**

The Module is assessed by two components: C1 - Coursework - 30% weighting. C2 - Coursework - 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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