

## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Business Start Up In The Creative Industries

Reference	CB3957	Version	2
Created	February 2024	SCQF Level	SCQF 9
Approved	June 2018	SCQF Points	30
Amended	April 2024	ECTS Points	15

### Aims of Module

This module will help students to develop an understanding of developing a business start-up, with a focus in the creative industries. Students will be required to draw upon their extended knowledge of various disciplines covered in their studies and to combine this with the principles and practice of starting up a new enterprise.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Explore key elements of new business start up in the creative industries, with a specific focus on their unique opportunities/challenges.
- 2 Demonstrate practical/creative abilities in idea generation and idea evaluation.
- 3 Examine the contribution of innovation and creativity to idea generation, and apply critical thought processes to the creative and developmental stages of entrepreneurial practice.
- 4 Generate a business idea in the creative industries evaluating the opportunities for growth and translate this idea into a written business plan with provision of sound/researched market information.

### Indicative Module Content

Generating business ideas; opportunity recognition and evaluation; creative problem solving and innovation techniques; critical thought processes; market research/environmental scanning; the entrepreneurial personality; models of entrepreneurial behaviour; entrepreneurial/marketing strategy; business finance; development of a viable business plan. The module assessment requires the student to produce the foundations of a business plan for a new and innovative start-up company in the creative industries - this aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Goal 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth. Research around the chosen industry will be carried out demonstrating the need for the business, competitor analysis, budgeting and a range of appropriate primary and secondary research highlighting the rationale. This aligns itself with UNESCO Competencies such as, Strategic, Critical Thinking, Anticipatory and Integrated Problem-Solving Competencies.

### Module Delivery

The module will be delivered through a combination of web-based open educational resources, online activities and multi-media case studies, with one-to-one supervision on a weekly basis for the first six weeks of semester two.

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	12	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	288	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	300	N/A
<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:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4
Description:	Individual Written Assessment				

### MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

#### Explanatory Text

The calculation of the overall grade for this module is based on 100% weighting of C1. An overall minimum grade D is required to pass the module.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
<b>A</b>	The student needs to achieve an A in C1.
<b>B</b>	The student needs to achieve a B in C1.
<b>C</b>	The student needs to achieve a C in C1.
<b>D</b>	The student needs to achieve a D in C1.
<b>E</b>	The student needs to achieve an E in C1.
<b>F</b>	The student needs to achieve an F in C1.
<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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- 4 VON STAMM, B., 2008. *Managing innovation, design and creativity*. 2nd ed. Chichester: Wiley.
- 5 BESSANT, J., 2015. *Innovation and entrepreneurship*. 3rd ed. Hoboken: John Wiley and Sons