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MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Programming Concepts for Business Analytics

Reference	CMM201	Version	2
Created	February 2020	SCQF Level	SCQF 11
Approved	July 2018	SCQF Points	15
Amended	May 2020	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

This module will introduce students to fundamental programming principles and concepts within the context of creating solutions for business analytics.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Critically appraise the use of Python, Jupyter, and appropriate packages in the context of data analytics.
- 2 Demonstrate a critical understand of core programming techniques and concepts.
- 3 Use existing libraries and coding techniques to perform data management, data analysis and data visualization tasks.
- 4 Apply programming skills to business decision making problems.

Indicative Module Content

1. An overview of programming languages and tools typically used for developing Data Analytics and Visualisation solutions. 2. Introduction to Programming Logic and Design: The programming environment; object-oriented programming concepts; Variables and Simple Data Types; control structures (if, while); working with lists; working with strings; decision structures; dictionaries; input and output; functions; classes; files, interpreting errors and exceptions; testing and simple debugging of code 3. Reusing existing functionality: libraries and APIs: developing and/ or extending existing solutions within a business analytics context. 4. Tools and techniques for sharing software solutions.

Module Delivery

Concepts and examples will be introduced in lectures. Practical skills will be developed through structured lab exercises and coursework exercises.

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:	50%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2
Description:	A coursework comprising coding exercises, demonstrating the usage of Python and Jupyter as programming tool.				

Component 2

Type:	Coursework	Weighting:	50%	Outcomes Assessed:	3, 4
Description:	A coursework comprising coding involving the use of third-party Python packages to solve a data analytic problem.				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

The coursework is comprised on two equally-weighted submissions.

		Coursework:						
		A	B	C	D	E	F	NS
Coursework:	A	A	A	B	B	C	E	
	B	A	B	B	C	C	E	
	C	B	B	C	C	D	E	
	D	B	C	C	D	D	E	
	E	C	C	D	D	E	E	
	F	E	E	E	E	E	F	
	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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