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Prerequisites for Module

Successful completion of stage 1 and 2 modules. Successful completion of HSM157.

Corequisite Modules

None.

Precluded Modules

None.

Aims of Module

To enable the student to undertake pure and/or applied research and development at an advanced level, contributing substantially to the development of new techniques, ideas and approaches, by applying their subject knowledge and their knowledge of research methods to an independent investigation

Indicative Module Content

A research proposal developed in HSM157, followed by a significant period of data collection will form the basis for development of the Thesis. Students will work independently but under supervision from a University and a work-based supervisor.

Indicative Student Workload

Contact Hours	Part Time
Supervision	90
sessions/training	70
Directed Study Advised by supervisor(s)	350
Private Study Development, implementation and writing of dissertation	3,760

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1. Conceptualise, design and implement an approved research project in the chosen field.
- 2. Evaluate a range of research skills and methods.
- 3. Critically analyse and evaluate literature, theories, data and evidence in a consistently integrated manner as appropriate to the agreed research topic in a relevant field.
- 4. Critically evaluate findings and conclusions and present as a piece of independent research that contributes to and advances the body of knowledge in their chosen specialist area.
- 5.Develop and apply, in the chosen field, at an advanced level, the skills of written communication and presentation required to appropriately address relevant theory and concepts, and/or current debates.

Mode of Delivery

Students are expected to take full responsibility for their own learning, and will receive guidance and support from their Principal Supervisor, and others as appropriate.

Assessment Plan

	Learning Outcomes	
	Assessed	
Coursework	1,2,3,4,5	

The assessment will normally consist of a dissertation with an oral defence of the thesis.

Indicative Bibliography

1.As advised by supervisory team.

Additional Notes

In addition, the student will be expected to search the literature and read widely in the area chosen for investigation