

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Thesis

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| Reference | HSD001 | Version | 2 |
| Created | June 2021 | SCQF Level | SCQF 12 |
| Approved | May 2015 | SCQF Points | 420 |
| Amended | September 2021 | ECTS Points | 210 |

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 of a topic within a relevant field.

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.

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.

Module 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.

Indicative Student Workload

| | Full Time | Part Time |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Contact Hours | 90 | 90 |
| Non-Contact Hours | 4110 | 4110 |
| Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours | N/A | N/A |
| TOTAL | 4200 | 4200 |
| <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, 5

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

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

The Research Degree Grade descriptor will be used to assess the module outcome.

| Module Grade | Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade: |
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| Pass | Pass |
| Fail | Fail |
| NS | Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination |

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module Successful completion of Stage 1 and 2 modules.

Corequisites for module None.

Precluded Modules None.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

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

INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 1 As advised by supervisory team.