

## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Supervised Research Project

Reference	LL4001	Version	3
Created	August 2023	SCQF Level	SCQF 10
Approved	June 2020	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2023	ECTS Points	7.5

### Aims of Module

To provide students with the opportunity to undertake a piece of supervised, independent in-depth research into a specific area or issue of legal interest and to apply the full range of associated research skills required to produce a short dissertation. To demonstrate skills of analysis, critical evaluation, reflection, logical argument and communication.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Demonstrate rigour in the analysis of information from primary and/or secondary sources and in the synthesis and interpretation of concepts and legal issues.
- 2 Plan and write a short dissertation which demonstrates a logical consistency in approach and structure, and critical evaluation of theory, process, and outcomes.

### Indicative Module Content

The student will work independently but under supervision to prepare a short dissertation on an approved topic of their choice. The content is developed dialectically between the student and the supervisor.

### Module Delivery

No fewer than 3 and no more than 5 one to one supervision meetings

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	10	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	140	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	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  
 Description: Written Coursework (Students will undertake a short dissertation)

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

Component 1 comprises 100% of the module grade. To pass the module, a D grade or above is required.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
<b>A</b>	A
<b>B</b>	B
<b>C</b>	C
<b>D</b>	D
<b>E</b>	E
<b>F</b>	F
<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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