

#### MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### **Module Title**

Judicial Review and Public Administration

Reference LI 4182 Version 1 Created January 2022 SCQF Level SCQF 10 June 2017 **SCQF** Points Approved 15 Amended **ECTS Points** June 2017 7.5

#### Aims of Module

To develop a critical understanding of how judicial review operates in Scotland and England and its increasing importance to citizens aggrieved by the actions of public bodies. To provide students with a specialist knowledge of three sectors of administrative justice: tribunals, inquiries and ombudsmen.

### **Learning Outcomes for Module**

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

- Demonstrate comprehensive and current knowledge and understanding of the concept and practical application of judicial review with particular reference to public administration
- 2 Evaluate the effectivenes of judicial review procedure in Scotland and England
- Analyse and critically evaluate the role of public inquiries as a mechanism for achieving administrative justice
- 4 Analyse and critically evaluate the role of tribunals as a mechanism for achieving administrative justice
- 5 Analyse and critically evaluate the role of ombudsmen as a mechanism for achieving administrative justice

## **Indicative Module Content**

The scope of judicial review; title and interest to sue issues; discussion and evaluation of the grounds of judicial review; and remedies and their effectiveness; The evolution of the concept of administrative justice; Evaluation of the roles played by tribunals; public inquiries and tribunals of inquiry and ombudsmen

### **Module Delivery**

This is a lecture and seminar based module. Lectures provide core module content. Seminars develop associated higher level skills through student centred learning.

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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
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

## **ASSESSMENT PLAN**

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

## **Component 1**

Type: Coursework Weighting: 30% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2

Description: Written coursework exercise

**Component 2** 

Type: Examination Weighting: 70% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Description: Written examination

### MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

## **Explanatory Text**

The module is assessed by two components: C1 - Coursework - 30% weighting. C2 - Examination - 70% Weighting. Module Pass Mark = Grade D (40%)

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Module Grade	Module Grade Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:	
Α	At least 70% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component	
В	At least 60% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component	
С	At least 50% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component	
D	At least 40% on weighted aggregate and at least 35% in each component	
E	<ul> <li>E At least 35% on weighted aggregate</li> <li>F Less than 35% on weighted aggregate</li> <li>NS Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination</li> </ul>	
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Module Requirements	
Prerequisites for Module	None.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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