

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Principles of Occupational Health

Reference	NU3940	Version	3
Created	May 2024	SCQF Level	SCQF 9
Approved	October 2020	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2024	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

To enable the student to demonstrate a broad knowledge and understanding of the theories, principles and concepts relevant to occupational health.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Discuss the principles, theories and history of Occupational Health and public health.
- 2 Examine the impact of work on health and apply the principles of health needs assessment.
- 3 Analyse the role of the contemporary Occupational Health practitioner.
- 4 Critically analyse the use of evidence, legislation and policy that apply to Occupational health practice.
- 5 Explore the professional and ethical dimensions of Occupational Health practice.

Indicative Module Content

Occupational Health, Work and Health, Public Health, Sustainable Development Goals, Inequalities, Determinants, Occupational Exposure and Geonomics, Epidemiology, Sociology, Mental Wellbeing, Health Needs, Biopsychosocial Model, Legislation and Policy, Legal and Ethical issues, Professionalism, Evidence Based Practice, Critical thinking, Decision making, Digital Literacy. Personal Development Plan, Models of Reflection, Revalidation. This module aligns with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 3,5,8 and 10. It engages the student in understanding influences on health and work.

Module Delivery

The module is delivered online via CampusMoodle e.g. virtual classroom, discussion forums and self-directed study.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	N/A	20
Non-Contact Hours	N/A	130
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A	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:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Description:	Written assignment.				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

Written Assignment considering the role of occupational health and ethical practitioner.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	C1 = A
B	C1 = B
C	C1 = C
D	C1 = D
E	C1 = E
F	C1 = F
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	None, in addition to course entry requirements or equivalent.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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