

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Extended Study - Dissertation

Reference	NU4550	Version	3
Created	July 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 10
Approved	April 2012	SCQF Points	45
Amended	August 2017	ECTS Points	22.5

Aims of Module

To consolidate knowledge relating to research and evidence in nursing in order to produce an extended independent study project related to an aspect of the student's field of practice

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Conduct an independent extended literature review related to an aspect of the field of practice.
- 2 Formulate an answerable clinical question relevant to an aspect of the field of practice.
- 3 Demonstrate independent critical appraisal skills in relation to research and other relevant types of evidence.
- 4 Justify recommendations for practice based on an independent extended literature review of research and other types of evidence relevant to an aspect of the field of practice.
- 5 Discuss a strategy for the implementation of evidence based recommendations in a field specific aspect of practice.

Indicative Module Content

Formulating clinical questions; Ethics in nursing research; Project management; Independent information literacy and graduate study skills; Critical appraisal; Systematic review; Evidence/appraisal tables; Synthesis; Implementation; Dissemination.

Module Delivery

Lectures, tutorials, negotiated supervision.

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Indicative Student Workload

Contact Hours

Full Time

25

Part Time

N/A

Non-Contact Hours

425

N/A

Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours

N/A

N/A

TOTAL

450

N/A

*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:

100%

Outcomes Assessed:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Description:

Dissertation.

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

Dissertation.

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

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Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module

Normally requirements for progression or entry to Stage 3 met.

Corequisites for module

None.

Precluded Modules

None.

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