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## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

The Body in Contemporary Life

Reference	SS4027	Version	7
Created	April 2020	SCQF Level	SCQF 10
Approved	June 2005	SCQF Points	15
Amended	May 2020	ECTS Points	7.5

### Aims of Module

To provide students with a critical understanding of the sociology of the body.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Judiciously appraise the key theories and concepts pertaining to a sociology of the body.
- 2 Critically analyse the impact of historical/contemporary societal and cultural discourses on the social construction of the body and lived experience.
- 3 Apply a critical understanding of key theories, concepts and discourses to aspects of contemporary life experience.

### Indicative Module Content

Gendered bodies. 'Extreme makeovers' in contemporary Society. Body regulation and surveillance. The body and identity. Representations of the body. Body changes

### Module Delivery

A combination of lectures, presentations, student led and student directed learning.

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	24	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	126	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, 3  
 Description: Component 1 will be assessed by written coursework.

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

There is one coursework which contributes 100% to the module total.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
<b>A</b>	The student needs an A in C1.
<b>B</b>	The student needs a B in C1.
<b>C</b>	The student needs a C in C1.
<b>D</b>	The student needs a D in C1.
<b>E</b>	The student needs an E in C1.
<b>F</b>	The student needs a F in C1.
<b>NS</b>	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

**Module Requirements**

Prerequisites for Module	None, in addition to SCQF 10 entry requirements or equivalent.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

**INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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