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## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Research Project

Reference	HSM045	Version	8
Created	July 2021	SCQF Level	SCQF 11
Approved	May 2008	SCQF Points	60
Amended	November 2021	ECTS Points	30

### Aims of Module

To produce a research report based on a supervised self directed research project.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Independently design and execute a detailed research or evidence based practice study in a specific area relevant to professional practice.
- 2 Critically evaluate (primary or secondary) data relevant to practice.
- 3 Synthesise evidence based arguments to inform practice.
- 4 Critically evaluate the ethical implications of conducting a research or evidence based practice study.

### Indicative Module Content

The research process; theory development; application of appropriate research tools; systematic review; data collection and analysis; critical engagement with literature; ethics and ethical implications; methods of enquiry; reporting of findings and overall project as a research report.

### Module Delivery

Full-time on-campus - a series of tutorials, workshops and seminars along with supervisory support  
 Part-time off-campus - online distance learning along with supervisory support.

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	35	35
Non-Contact Hours	565	565
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	600	600
<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

Description: Research dissertation based upon project work- primary research or secondary research.

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

Research dissertation

**Module Grade****Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:****A**

A in component 1.

**B**

B in component 1.

**C**

C in component 1.

**D**

D in component 1.

**E**

E in component 1.

**F**

F in component 1.

**NS**

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

**Module Requirements**

Prerequisites for Module

Students must have successfully completed the Postgraduate Diploma or equivalent.

Corequisites for module

None.

Precluded Modules

None.

**INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY**

- 1 BOWLING. A., 2014. Research Methods in Health: Investigating Health and Health Services. Fourth Edition. Maidenhead: McGraw Hill.
- 2 CUNNINGHAM. C.J.L. 2013. Understanding and conducting research in the health science. Oxford: Wiley.
- 3 RITCHIE. J.L. et al. 2014. Qualitative research practice : a guide for social science students and researchers. 2nd ed. London: Sage Publications.
- 4 POLGAR.S. and THOMAS.S.A., 2020. Introduction to Research in the Health Sciences. 7th ed. Philadelphia: Elsevier.
- 5 DAVIES. M. 2014. Doing a successful research project : using qualitative or quantitative methods. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan.
- 6 Current and historical journal articles and texts which vary according to the personal needs of each student and their particular area of study.