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MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Introduction to Business Analytics

Reference	CM1706	Version	3
Created	January 2023	SCQF Level	SCQF 7
Approved	June 2019	SCQF Points	30
Amended	June 2023	ECTS Points	15

Aims of Module

To introduce the data analytics lifecycle (clean, transform, analyse and visualise data), and provide an understanding of the statistical techniques involved in business analytics.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Develop awareness of the organisation's data strategy and governance.
- 2 Use different methods for preparing data for analysis.
- 3 Apply statistical techniques to a variety of datasets.
- 4 Develop a simple data science solution and communicate results through appropriate visualisation.
- 5 Develop awareness of the professional, ethical and legal issues within data analysis.

Indicative Module Content

Enterprise data strategy, governance and stewardship. Data preparation and cleaning methods. Data exploration, summarisation, transformation and visualisation techniques. Introduction to and use of Python libraries to process and analyse a range of data types. Statistical techniques for data analysis: hypothesis testing; standard deviation; regression; correlation; sample size determination; experimental design. Professional, ethical and legal issues within data analysis; data bias.

Module Delivery

The module is delivered in Blended Learning mode using structured online learning materials/activities and directed study, facilitated by regular online tutor support. Workplace Mentor support and work-based learning activities will allow students to contextualise this learning to their own workplace. Face-to-face engagement occurs through annual induction sessions, employer work-site visits, and modular on-campus workshops.

Indicative Student Workload	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	30	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	30	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	240	N/A
TOTAL	300	N/A
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>	240	

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:	This coursework will consist of a practical data analytics exercise, and a discussion on business data strategies and professional, legal and ethical issues within the workplace.				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

The module is assessed on a pass/unsuccessful basis. The Module Grade is based on performance in Component 1.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
Pass	Pass in Component 1.
Fail	Fail in Component 1.
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.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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