

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Construction Procurement, Contracts and Law

Reference	SU2050	Version	3
Created	April 2023	SCQF Level	SCQF 8
Approved	July 2018	SCQF Points	30
Amended	June 2023	ECTS Points	15

Aims of Module

To provide the student with the ability to understand and apply the principles of traditional and alternative procurement methods, contract administration procedures and Scots Law and to assess administrative and legal principles in a built environment context.

Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Categorise the aspects of traditional and contemporary procurement practice.
- 2 Distinguish the use of appropriate standard form clauses and procedures applied to common financial and managerial situations encountered within a built environment situation.
- 3 Rate prequalification and reporting of tender submissions prior to entering into a formal contract.
- 4 Show knowledge and understanding of the basics of Scots contract law and reparation law in the context of the built environment.
- 5 Undertake critical reflection on the core contents of the module and relate to their application within the work place.

Indicative Module Content

This module will explore the selection and use of modes of procurement and relevant contract types (to include minor forms) applicable to the built environment and tender processes. It will also explore standard contract administration within the built environment associated with selecting the appropriate contractor, financial control and contract administration. An analysis of specific contractual terms, trends and developments will be studied as will issues of construction contract administration. A focus upon Scots Law in relation to the law of contract and reparation.

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:	An integrated assignment consisting of illustrated written work to demonstrate understanding and application of the module learning outcomes and reflecting on the learning development throughout the module weeks that involves theory and practice.				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

Explanatory Text

The overall module grade is based on 100% weighting of Component 1 (assignment). An overall minimum grade D is required to pass the module. Non-submission will result in an NS grade.

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

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	None.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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