

Module Code	ECAS7005
Title	Applied Psychology Research Dissertation
Date	11/12/2019
Level	7
Credits	60
Pre-Requisites	Completion of part one

AIM(S)

- To develop higher order research skills by identifying and undertaking a piece of primary research related to applied psychology which demonstrates scientific and ethical rigour in all respects.
- To enable students to demonstrate self-direction, autonomy, and originality in identifying, tackling and solving issues of relevance to an applied research question in social and/or health psychology.
- To provide students with the ability to demonstrate a professional standard of presentation skills through the presentation of their work at an internal conference.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon the successful completion of this module, the student should be able to:

- Conduct an in-depth systematic literature review critically appraising the evidence-base relevant to the dissertation topic.
- Design a research project identifying appropriate hypotheses/research questions and research methodology.
- Carry out primary data collection using appropriate tools and methodology in compliance with relevant legal, ethical and data requirements.
- Analyse data using appropriate quantitative and/or qualitative methods.
- Interpret and critique the project results and findings and report them in the required format.
- Reflect on the research process and methods and identify lessons learned for future research/practice.

INDICATIVE CONTENT

- The student will be required to work on his/her own initiative in the production of the dissertation on a specific research area under appropriate supervision.
- The student is expected to take full ownership of their own dissertation project under appropriate supervision, and to manage their time appropriately to ensure completion within the timescales.
- Workshops, small group tutorials and online learning associated with this module will provide students with an overview of the dissertation process including identifying

appropriate applied research questions, design, data collection methods and analytical processes.

- Each student will be allocated a supervisor with whom a contract of supervision will be drawn up (no more than 10 hours individual supervision).

Study Time Allocation

The study time for the module is divided as follows:

Activity type	Hours	Percentage
Scheduled learning	15	2%
Independent learning	585	98%
Placement learning		
TOTAL	600	100%

ASSESSMENT

Assessment Component 1

☐ Written exam ☐ Coursework ☒ Practical

Mode of assessment	Volume	Weighting
Individual presentation	30 minutes	25%

Assessment Component 2

☐ Written exam ☒ Coursework ☐ Practical

Mode of assessment	Volume	Weighting
Written Dissertation	12,000 words	75%

Assessment Summary

Activity type	Percentage
Written exam	-
Coursework	75%
Practical	25%
TOTAL	100%