

Academic Module

BMSW6009

Independent Project

Developing critical and innovative engagement with theory and practice through an in-depth discipline-specific project

Creative Thinking Research Critical Analysis Development



Module Aim

To develop the ability of students to engage critically and innovatively with theory and/or practice relevant to their studied subject areas in order to produce a discipline specific in-depth project.



Critical Engagement

Thoughtful analysis of theory and practice



Innovative Thinking

Creative approaches to problem-solving



Discipline-Specific

In-depth project in your field of study



Learning Outcomes - Part 1

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



Topic Identification

Demonstrate intellectual skills in identifying appropriate topics, problems, or challenges for investigation relevant to field of study



Research Planning

Formulate suitable plans for further research using relevant investigative methods to produce comprehensive responses



These learning outcomes focus on developing intellectual skills in topic identification and research planning for discipline-specific problems.



Learning Outcomes - Part 2



In-depth Knowledge & Critical Understanding

Demonstrate in-depth knowledge and critical understanding of principles necessary to underpin education in their chosen field, applying problem solving techniques.



Independence of Thought & Critical Evaluation

Evidence independence of thought and critical evaluation in producing an independent piece of work, demonstrating transferable skills through initiative and responsibility.



Knowledge Organization & Communication

Organise knowledge through use of various media, and present work appropriately for specialist and non-specialist audiences.



Indicative Content



Research Paradigms

Methods and techniques of research and enquiry



Literature Review

Conducting and writing comprehensive reviews



Ethical Concerns

Research process and ethical considerations



Project Management

Resource and skills management techniques



Data Presentation

Presenting and illustrating data and information



Technical Communication

Communication of technical ideas and results



Creative Thinking

Problem solving and entrepreneurial approaches



Collaboration

Adaptability and reflective practice

Study Time Allocation

Total Study Time: 400 hours

Scheduled Learning

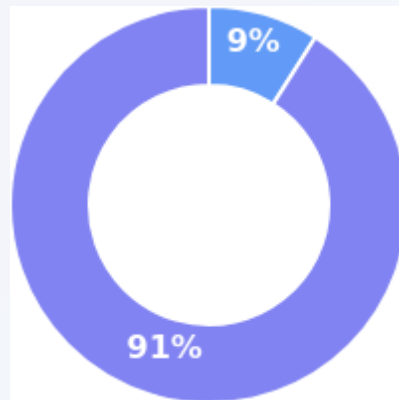
36 hours

Formal teaching and guided activities

Independent Learning

364 hours

Self-directed study and project work



Scheduled (9%)
Independent (91%)



Assessment Structure



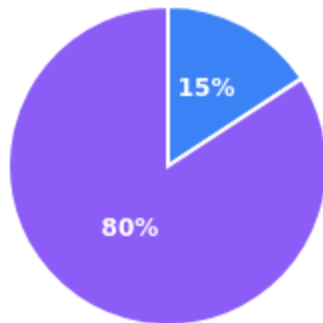
Portfolio Assessment

100% coursework portfolio totaling
10,000 words

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Coursework

Word Count Distribution



Project Proposal

1,500 words

15%



Independent Project

8,000 words

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