

Module Outline

Part 1- as validated

1.	Title	Introduction to Financial Management
2.	Level	4
3.	Credits	20
4.	Indicative Student Study Hours	200
5.	Core (must take and pass), Compulsory (must take) or Optional	Compulsory

5. Brief Description of Module

The aim of this module is to enable students to evaluate and question key financial structures, documents and figures.

Sound financial management is essential to organizational success. Managers in all types of organization need to be able to understand the language of accounting and finance in order to take a considered role in corporate planning and dialogue.

This module introduces the regulatory frameworks for corporate bodies in the UK and sets the key financial documents into context. Financial ratios and comparative measures are described and analysed. Differences in major international jurisdictions are illustrated. Sources of finance are examined and the main benefits and restrictions of these analysed. The operation of the stock market is considered and the use of stock market information introduced.

Regulatory compliance and corporate governance are introduced and analysed against a contemporary background. Finally risk analysis and management is analysed, again against a contemporary background.

6. Learning Outcomes - On successful completion of this module a student will be able to:

	<i>Subject-specific learning outcomes:</i>
1.	Interpret the key financial documents used by businesses and construct these from given data.
2.	Compare and contrast financial performance using recognized ratios.
3.	Identify different sources of business finance, describing their benefits and constraints.
4.	Describe regulatory compliance, corporate governance and risk management strategies that organizations adopt in today's business environment.
	<i>Generic learning outcomes:</i>

5.	Select and apply given information or tools appropriate to the context
6.	Access learning resources and select appropriate sources for data acquisition

7. Assessment						
Pass on aggregate or Pass all components <i>(modules can only be pass all components if this is a PSRB requirement)</i>				Pass on aggregate		
Summary of Assessment Plan						
	Type	% Weighting	Anonymous Yes / No	Word Count/ Exam Length	Learning Outcomes Coverage	Comments
1.	Report	50%	No	1500	1,2,5,6	
2.	Exam	50%	Yes	1hr 30min	1,3,4,5	
Further Details of Assessment Proposals						
Give brief explanation of each assessment activity listed						
The report includes calculations and analysis.						
The exam includes: a multiple choice paper which tests learners' understanding across the majority of the syllabus; a compulsory written question on a topic of key significance from the syllabus; and a choice of written questions (one from three).						

8. Summary of Pre and / or Co Requisite Requirements
N/A

9. For use on following programmes
CertHE/BA(Hons) Business and Management