

Module Outline

Part 1- as validated

1.	Title	Construction Management Dissertation
2.	Level *	6
3.	Credits	40
4.	Indicative Student Study Hours	30
5.	Core (must take and pass), Compulsory (must take) or Optional	Compulsory

*** Foundation Level=3 Degree Year 1 = 4 Degree Year 2 = 5 Degree Year 3 = 6**

PG (Masters) = 7

5. Brief Description of Module (purpose, principal aims and objectives)

This module aims to give students the opportunity to research a topic related to their programme of study. Students will select and negotiate a topic for study and research related to a site management or commercial management discipline. Students will be provided with supervision, but work on the dissertation will largely be independent and self-managed. Students will be expected to apply the approaches and techniques encountered in the Research Skills module.

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

(Add more lines if required)

	Subject Specific Learning Outcomes
1.	Apply appropriate research and investigate existing bodies of knowledge that provide the student with new information related to an aspect of construction management.
2.	Demonstrate the selection, identification, incorporation and acknowledgement of pertinent material drawn from others in the submission.
3.	Create assumptions, develop arguments, demonstrate and critically summarise a position with evidence and draw conclusions
4.	Communicate a position through an appropriate combination of verbal, written, graphic and visual means.
	Generic Learning Outcomes
1.	Produce an well-argued dissertation based on in depth analysis of their chosen subject and

	grounded in the existing literature
2.	Engage in independent study, setting personal goals, managing own workloads and meeting deadlines

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.	Dissertation	100%	Yes	10,000	LO 1, 2, 3, 4	
2.						
Further Details of Assessment Proposals						
Give brief explanation of each assessment activity listed						
<p>Dissertation</p> <p>Choose an aspect of the construction management process and agree a focus with your tutor for the dissertation. The content of the dissertation will depend upon the topic chosen and will generally include:</p> <p>A clear statement of your aims and what you intend your thesis to achieve in your introduction.</p> <p>A series of chapters that advance your overall learning argument.</p> <p>Evidence of relevant use of theoretical, critical and historical sources through effective referencing.</p> <p>A balanced discussion of these primary and secondary sources to assess the ideas of others.</p> <p>A clear and coherent conclusion to your study which draws together your argument and the issues you have raised in your dissertation.</p> <p>Captions and illustrations of the works you discussed and analysed in your dissertation.</p> <p>A title page and contents page listing the page numbers of your chapters or selections</p> <p>It is most important that you consult your Higher Education Student Handbook for guidance on the dissertation.</p>						

8. Summary of Pre and / or Co Requisite Requirements

Research Skills

9. For use on following programmes

BSc (Honours) Construction Management (Architectural Technology)

BSc (Honours) Construction Management (Quantity Surveying)

BSc (Honours) Construction Management (Site Management)

Module Specification**Part 2- to be reviewed annually**

1. Module Leader	Brenda Rich
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2. Indicative Content

The content of the student's dissertation will depend upon the topic chosen. However, the guidance provided by the dissertation supervisor should include the following.

Choosing a relevant and practicable topic for investigation

Inductive and deductive research

Timetable for completion of the dissertation

Generating research objectives

Critical literature review

Collecting information/data

Research methods and skills

Analysing data

Drawing conclusion and making recommendation

Writing and presenting the dissertation document

3. Delivery Method (please tick appropriate box)

Classroom Based	Supported Open Learning	Distance Learning	E-Learning	Work Based Learning	Other (specify)
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Yes				
If the Delivery Method is Classroom Based please complete the following table:				
	Activity (lecture, seminar, tutorial, workshop)	Activity Duration - Hrs	Comments	Learning Outcomes
1	Lectures	30		LO 1-4
2				
	Total Hours	30		
If delivery method is <i>not</i> classroom based state lecturer hours to support delivery				

4. Learning Resources

To include contextualised Reading List.

Highly Recommended

Farrell, P. and Sherratt, F. (2016) *Writing a Built Environment Dissertation: Practical Guidance and Examples 2nd Edition*, Chichester: Wiley-Blackwell

Fellows, R.F. & Liu, A. (2015) *Research Methods for Construction 4th Edition* Oxford: Chichester: Wiley Blackwell

Naoum, S.G. (2012) *Dissertation Research Writing for Construction Students 3^d Edition*, Abingdon: Routledge

Recommended

Creswell, J.W. (2018) *Research Design: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Method Approaches 5th Edition*, Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications

Fink, A. (2016) *How to Conduct Surveys: A Step by Step Guide 6th Edition* Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications

Seely, J. (2013) *Oxford Guide to Effective Writing and Speaking: How to Communicate Clearly 3^d Edition*, Oxford: Oxford University Press

Weyers, J. & McMillan, K. (2011) *How to Write Dissertations and Project Reports*, London: Pearson

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