



MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information			
Module Title	Research Writing		
Module Code	UFCEL6-15-M	Level	Level 7
For implementation from	2019-20		
UWE Credit Rating	15	ECTS Credit Rating	7.5
Faculty	Faculty of Environment & Technology	Field	Computer Science and Creative Technologies
Department	FET Dept of Computer Sci & Creative Tech		
Module type:	Standard		
Pre-requisites	None		
Excluded Combinations	None		
Co- requisites	None		
Module Entry requirements	None		

Part 2: Description
<p>Educational Aims: See Learning Outcomes</p> <p>Outline Syllabus: Different kinds of academic writing. Writing genres. Essays, journal papers, conference papers, posters, book chapters, research proposals and bids. Formulating a subject. Research areas and topics. Research questions and problems. Documenting research in progress. Notes, logs, diaries. Indexing contacts and sources. Recording. Managing research information. Mapping the research territory. Formulating an argument. Elements of a good argument. Making claims and providing supporting evidence. Warrants and challenges to warrants. Writing style. Achieving clear communication. Writing for an audience. Grammar, punctuation and composition. Styles of academic writing. Styles and formatting in word processing. Using sources. Reading styles and strategies. Comprehension, précis, notetaking. Citing, referencing and quoting. Paraphrasing. Bibliographies. Authority and attribution. Designing and presenting research information. Communicating evidence verbally and visually. Information design for research writing. Report structure and layout. Summarising. Introductions, rehearsal, recapitulation, conclusions. Titles and subtitles. Abstracts. Keywords and search terms. Drafting and revising. Preparing and organising a draft paper. Tracking revisions and version control. The editing process. Writing with others. Dividing and coordinating the work. Keeping focus. Achieving consistency of style. Agreeing the final version. Reviewing. Submission and refereeing process and cycle. Writing and reading reviews. Software tools for academic writing. Word and</p>

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text processors and electronic publishing. Bibliographic tools. Tools for managing research data. Markup and markup languages. Online publication. Writing for e-journals and web dissemination.

Teaching and Learning Methods: The module is tutorial and exercise based with some lectures. Lectures are used to present and highlight the main ideas and approached covered in the syllabus. Lecture material and examples of academic writing are discussed in tutorials. Exercises in academic writing and communication are undertaken throughout the module, some of them within the tutorial sessions. There is a strong emphasis on developing students' understanding of, and skills in, research writing.

Part 3: Assessment

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Written Assignment - Component B		38 %	Research essay
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Presentation - Component A		25 %	Poster Presentation
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Part 4: Teaching and Learning Methods																					
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Reading List	<p><i>The reading list for this module can be accessed via the following link:</i></p> <p>https://uwe.rl.talis.com/index.html</p>																				

Part 5: Contributes Towards
This module contributes towards the following programmes of study: