

# **Module Specification**

# **Procurement and Contract Law**

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### **Part 1: Information**

Module title: Procurement and Contract Law

Module code: UBLMRC-15-2

Level: Level 5

For implementation from: 2023-24

**UWE credit rating:** 15

**ECTS credit rating:** 7.5

College: Faculty of Environment & Technology

School: FET Dept of Architecture & Built Environ

Partner institutions: None

Field: Architecture and the Built Environment

Module type: Module

Pre-requisites: Law, Economics and Management 2023-24

Excluded combinations: Procurement and Contract Law 2023-24, Procurement

and Contract Practice 2023-24

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

# **Part 2: Description**

**Overview:** This module concentrates on the role of Contracts Administrator as performed under JCT contracts and explores how the obligations of various parties are defined and interpreted especially when subject to legal precedent established in case law.

Various forms of contract are acknowledged as are the reasons behind the selection of specific procurement routes that require them.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: In addition to Learning Outcomes the educational experience may explore, develop, and practise but not formally discretely assess the following:

The practicalities of administering a contract on behalf of a client

Outline syllabus: Topics covered may include the following although not necessarily in this order and not equally weighted:

Pre Contract:
Alternative approaches to procurement
Tender analysis procedure
Preparation of contract documentation
Comparison of contract types
Contract Period:
Certification issues

Time issues

Defective work

Insurance issues

Termination

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Dispute resolution – Litigation and arbitration

Dispute resolution – Statutory adjudication, mediation, etc

# Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

**Teaching and learning methods:** Contact time, lectures, tutorials: 36 hours

Assimilation and development of knowledge: 74 hours

Exam preparation: 20 hours

Coursework preparation: 20 hours

Total study time: 150 hours

Scheduled learning includes lectures, tutorials, visiting speakers

Independent learning includes hours engaged with essential reading, case study preparation, assignment preparation and completion etc.

**Module Learning outcomes:** On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes.

**MO1** Identify the form of the various traditional and collaborative building contracts and consider their interpretation and application in both practical and legal terms

**MO2** Compare the different approaches to the pre-contract phases of procurement, tendering and the preparation of contract documents to advise a client on which might best apply to specific client-based scenarios

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MO3 Illustrate the nature of requirements that may be presented with the

Preliminaries section of a Contract Specification and explain the relationship that

these provisions may have with the contract conditions

MO4 Summarise the obligations of the parties of a construction contract and

explain the responsibilities of the Contract Administrator at defined moments in

the contract period

MO5 Demonstrate an understanding of how contract law, and precedent govern

the expectations and performance of parties to a construction contract as

required by specific circumstances or events over the period of a contract

MO6 Recognise and appraise the implications of contractual and tortuous

disputes and problems in terms of building contracts and compare the

procedures

Hours to be allocated: 150

**Contact hours:** 

Independent study/self-guided study = 114 hours

Face-to-face learning = 36 hours

Total = 150

**Reading list:** The reading list for this module can be accessed at

readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/ublmql-

15-3.html

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Examination (online) - An end of year exam which will

provide a suitable, rigorous and effective mechanism under controlled conditions for

measuring how effectively the students have attained the learning outcomes.

Written assignment - A 1500 word essay

Resit Exam - a similar structure to that described above, with different questions.

Resit Written assignment - a similar brief to that described above, which may include some topic changes.

#### Assessment tasks:

### Written Assignment (First Sit)

Description: Essay (1500 words)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO4, MO5, MO6

## **Examination (Online)** (First Sit)

Description: Online Examination (24h)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO6

### Examination (Online) (Resit)

Description: Online Examination (24h)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO6

### Written Assignment (Resit)

Description: Essay (1500 words)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO4, MO5, MO6

# Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Architectural Technology and Design [Sep][PT][Frenchay][5yrs] BSc (Hons) 2020-21