

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information						
Module Title	Low/zero Impact Buildings					
Module Code	UBLMQ4-15-M		Level	Level 7		
For implementation from	2018-	19				
UWE Credit Rating	15		ECTS Credit Rating	7.5		
Faculty	Faculty of Environment & Technology		Field	Architecture and the Built Environment		
Department	FET [ET Dept of Architecture & Built Environ				
Module type:	Standard					
Pre-requisites		None				
Excluded Combinations		None				
Co- requisites		None				
Module Entry requirements		None				

Part 2: Description

Educational Aims: See Learning Outcomes

Outline Syllabus: Low/zero impact buildings

Low/zero-carbon and renewable technologies;

Building environmental performance

Passive solutions

Renewable materials

Part L, BREEAM, LEED, EPC ratings, and code for sustainable homes

Lighting analysis

Thermal analysis

Ventilation/ air tightness analysis

Carbon footprint.

Teaching and Learning Methods: The module will be delivered by means of a series of lectures, seminars and tutorials.

Lectures and seminars will be used to enable students to support their own independent learning by exploring deeper issues pertaining to Low/zero carbon buildings, and receiving formative feedback. Occasional speakers will be used to provide up to date material and context to the applications of the subject area.

A series of tutorials are designed to provide knowledge and practical skills in the use of BIM processes and technology in low/zero carbon buildings.

Presentations by and to the group by the students will also be used to enable students to develop the skills and capabilities to analyse problems, negotiate, make decisions and present solutions to problems. The formative work in the presentation will provide research material useful to the final report.

Directed reading examining the key principles and relevant criteria relating to a number of topics of importance to Low/zero carbon buildings.

Hours

The module is delivered by way of five study days for face to face teaching. Recorded lectures and the use of email discussion groups of virtual learning environments (VLEs) and other technology-aided means are also employed.

Part 3: Assessment

The assessment strategy adopted by this module involves a mix of practical skills assessment, and a report to reflect on BIM processes and technology applied at low/zero impact building.

The practical skills assessments are designed to evaluate students' practical skills in planning and applying BIM processes and technology to produce low/zero carbon buildings. State of the art technology, including hardware and software, is used to support students in their learning process. Students are expected to work on real-life case study to provide a real-life experience of using Low/zero carbon buildings.

Students are expected to prepare a report requiring a detailed knowledge of the application of Low/zero carbon buildings. It is important for the student to appreciate the depth of detail required in which BIM is applied to deliver the sustainability agenda. This report is also a reflective piece of work to examine the strengths and limitations of current and emerging BIM processes and technology to deliver low/zero carbon buildings. The Report is a 2500 word report suitable for dissemination to senior management.

First Sit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description
Report - Component B		50 %	Report (2500 words/equivalent)
Practical Skills Assessment - Component A	~	50 %	Building environmental performance model (Practical skills assessment)
Resit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description
Report - Component B		50 %	Report (2500 words/equivalent)
Practical Skills Assessment - Component A	~	50 %	Building environmental performance (Practical skills assessment)

Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this module students will achieve the follo	wing learning o	outcomes:			
	Module Learning Outcomes		Reference			
	Critically evaluate the role of BIM to design and operate comfortable buildings that significantly reduce/eliminate energy use Assess low/zero-carbon and renewable technologies Apply BIM and low/zero carbon technology to evaluate building environmental performance Evaluate, compare and select best passive solutions Evaluate the impact of Part L, BREEAM, LEED, EPC ratings, and code for sustainable homes on Low/zero impact buildings					
	Apply BIM and building environmental tools to perform lighting analysis					
	Apply BIM and building environmental tools to perform thermal analys		MO7 MO8			
	Draw conclusions on the developments of low/zero impact building on energy use, CO2 emissions, occupant comfort, light levels, and ventilation					
Contact Hours	Independent Study Hours:					
	Independent study/self-guided study 114					
	Total Independent Study Hours: 11					
	Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:					
	Face-to-face learning 36					
	Total Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours: 30					
	Hours to be allocated 15					
	Allocated Hours 15					
Reading List	The reading list for this module can be accessed via the following link:					
	https://uwe.rl.talis.com/index.html					

Part 4: Teaching and Learning Methods

Part 5: Contributes Towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

BIM in Design, Construction and Operation [Sep][FT][Frenchay][1yr] MSc 2018-19

BIM in Design, Construction and Operation [Jan][FT][Frenchay][1yr] MSc 2018-19