

University of the West of England

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information							
Module Title	Radio	Radio Programme Business					
Module Code	UABA	ATJ-30-M	Level	Μ			
For implementation from	Septe	ember 2017					
UWE Credit Rating	30		ECTS Credit Rating	15			
Faculty	Arts Creative industries and Education		Field	Broadcast and Journalism			
Department	Filma	Film and Journalism					
Contributes towards	MA R	IA Radio Documentary-Compulsory module					
Module type:	Standard						
Pre-requisites		None					
Excluded Combinations		N/A					
Co- requisites		N/A					
Module Entry requirements		None					

Part 2: Description

The purpose of this module is to introduce students to the specialist field of Radio Documentary and Factual programming and to enable them to begin to understand key areas of professional concern. It gives an overview of a number of important business contexts, commercial drivers and production processes and examines key skills required for employment.

It blends lectures and seminars exploring the commercial, ethical and production concerns with a series of production exercises designed in conjunction with BBC partners to enable students to apply their knowledge and understanding and facilitate the development of their professional skills.

The module outlines the commissioning process, providing insight into what commissioners and audiences want. It looks at the business of development where creative content creation, market demand and effective production management go hand-in-hand

It examines key issues such as compliance, editorial policy and intellectual property, providing students with a thorough grounding in appropriate media law, broadcasting codes, and conventions.

Working in teams and supported by intensive technical workshops, students are introduced to and immersed into media production so they understand the narrative potential and editorial demands and how to deliver these via appropriate use of craft techniques.

Teaching and Learning

Formal lectures and seminars will introduce key aspects of the module. In addition, there will be a range of master-classes and guest speaker sessions delivered in partnership with BBC Factual. In addition, students may have the opportunity to attend specialist conferences relevant to the teaching and learning activity.

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A series of production exercises run alongside. These practical assignments are achieved either in a supervised workshop setting or via independent study. They are supported by an extensive range of relevant production and technical workshops and a series of individual and group tutorials.

Students receive formative feedback via tutorial sessions. Students are expected to show initiative, be selfmotivated, and committed to developing a professional standard of practice. They must be able to work effectively, both independently and in teams to support each other's' learning and development.

A series of workshops, seminars and practical exercises will develop and extend knowledge and skills in relation to students' employability plans. Indicative topics are: research and information analysis skills, networking, pitching, preparing for interviews, developing resilience,

Scheduled learning: includes lectures, seminars, tutorials, project supervision, demonstration, practical classes and workshops = 144 hours.

Independent learning: includes hours engaged with essential reading, case study preparation, assignment preparation and completion etc. = 156 hours.

Part 3: Assessment

The summative assessment is as follows:

Component A: In class Written Media Law Test 40%

Test will cover the students' knowledge and understating of various broadcast scenarios and will all them to apply this knowledge to on air /as live situations

Component B: A Portfolio 60%

Students are required to submit a portfolio for assessment which will include the outcomes of set tasks throughout the module. Examples of the specific tasks to be included in the portfolio will be clearly defined in the Module Handbook.

These may include:

- Production planning documents production tasks and/or
- Learning logs and/or
- Audio recording of feature/s
- Written Proposal
- Reflective Essay

These have been designed to enable students to develop and demonstrate for the purposes of assessment their acquisition of the skills, knowledge, understandings and experiences that will enable them to meet the learning outcomes for the module.

These forms of assessment enable the student to build and demonstrate their developing professional skills in communicating their work and ideas in appropriate professional formats.

Identify final timetabled piece of assessment (component and element)	Comp	Component A		
% weighting between components A and B (Standard	modules only)	A: 40%	B : 60%	
First Sit Component A (controlled conditions)		Element w	reighting	
Description of each element		(as % of co		
1. In-class written law test		100	1%	
Component B Description of each element		Element w (as % of co		
1. Portfolio		100	1%	

Resit (further attend	dance at taug	ht classes	is not require	ed)					
Component A (contr Description of each		ns)					weighting component)		
1. In-class written lav	v test					1	00%		
Component B Description of each	element					Element weighting (as % of component)			
1. Portfolio						100%			
		Part 4: Te	eaching and L	earning Meth	ods	1			
Learning Outcomes	On success	On successful completion of this module students will be able to:							
	and factual proceeding	1. Understand and critically analyse the commercial environment of areas of documentary and factual programming including the factors that inform commissioning decisions and the industry processes required to develop and pitch successful documentary and factual media products (Component B)							
	including ho	and critically analyse key factors driving audience engagement and appreciation, now documentary and factual programmes develop audience relationships across prms and through marketing and online brand extensions (Component B)							
	3. Demonstrate understanding and awareness of law for journalism and ethical implications and concerns associated with the radio and broadca (Component A)								
	4. Demonstrate an understanding of the importance of professional audio production with the radio industry. (Component B)								
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Key Information Sets Information		Key Inform	nation Set - Mo						
(KIS)		Number o	f credits for this		30				
Contact Hours		Hours to be allocated	Scheduled learning and teaching study hours	Independent study hours	Placement study hours	Allocated Hours			
		300	144	156	0	300			
Total Assessment	constitutes a Written Exa Coursewor test	a; am : Unseen k : Written a	es as a percen o or open book assignment or o	written exam essay, report, e	dissertation, p	ortfolio, proje	ect or in class		

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		Total assessment of the module:					
		Written exa	m assessm	ent percent	age	0%	
		Coursework assessment percentage				100%	
		Practical exam assessment percentage			ntage	0%	
						100%	
Reading List	https://uwe.rl.talis.com/lists/BEA0FFA0-D172-3D16-FE8E-D7414C4066D1.html?d						html?dra

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