

Module Specification

Individual Civil Engineering Project

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Individual Civil Engineering Project

Module code: UBGMQP-30-3

Level: Level 6

For implementation from: 2022-23

UWE credit rating: 30

ECTS credit rating: 15

Faculty: Faculty of Environment & Technology

Department: FET Dept of Geography & Envrnmental Mgmt

Partner institutions: None

Delivery locations: Frenchay Campus

Field: Geography and Environmental Management

Module type: Standard

Pre-requisites: None

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: Module Entry Requirements: 60 credits at Level 2

Features: Module Entry Requirements: 60 credits at level 2

Educational aims: The Individual Civil Engineering Project is a major, individual investigative research or design study project. The precise nature of the project will depend on the topic selected by the student but in all situations the topic should be

intellectually challenging, provide scope for students to demonstrate initiative and creative thinking, and include consideration of matters that relate to the climate crisis.

Outline syllabus: Students will select topics provided by supervisors, or may propose a topic to a supervisor. Student proposed topics must be agreed with the student's supervisor. The student's supervisor will be nominated by the module leader based on the supervisors industrial and research experience in the area of the topic.

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: Learning is predominantly independent, self-directed study. Through this, and with the guidance of the supervisor, and the provision of learning resources and timetabled sessions, students will develop skills in:

Planning and management of a technical project

Management of the ethics and risks of a project

Selecting, reviewing, critically analysing and evaluating appropriate academic and grey literature, and also any relevant legislation, codes of practice, and other policy or practice literature

Developing an appropriate research or design study methodology that meets the project requirements

Clearly presenting the results in appropriate formats including tables, figures and charts

Thorough analysis of data using appropriate methods

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Critically evaluate the outcomes of the analysis

Effective, concise and precise written and verbal communication skills to disseminate technical content

Develop conclusions, recommendations and identify limitations for a technical project

Scheduled learning:

Formal taught sessions are provided for ethical, cost estimation (e.g. for materials purchase if relevant), risk management and academic skills at the beginning of the module.

Supervision:

Each student will have a nominated supervisor. Review meetings will be held on a regular basis between supervisor and student. These meetings will allow the student to discuss the planning and progress of the project, and receive feedback, direction and guidance from the supervisor. These meetings will typically take place every two to three weeks during term time. It is the responsibility of the student to arrange and record these meetings.

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

MO1 Carry out research or design study on a technical topic

MO2 Select, review, critique and synthesise important and relevant knowledge in existing research literature and/or professional practice that are to be examined in a technical project, and this should include consideration of matters that relate to the climate crisis

MO3 Plan and manage a technical project, including appropriate investigative methodology, to obtain relevant quality information or data from primary and/or secondary sources

MO4 Present, analyse, interpret and critically evaluate data

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MO5 Make clear and well justified conclusions and recommendations and

identify limitations of the work

MO6 Effectively communicate technical content in written and verbal formats

MO7 Understand and comply with ethical and risk management matters relevant

to the project

Hours to be allocated: 300

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 286 hours

Face-to-face learning = 14 hours

Total = 300

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/ubgmqp-

30-3.html

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Formative assessment:

On-going formative feedback will be provided through one-to-one contact with

supervisors. Feedback will also be given at the progress presentations.

Summative assessment:

Component A:

Element A1, Progress presentation (10 minutes):

The student is required to present for 10 minutes. The presentation must discuss the

research aims, objectives, progress to date and potential outcomes. This

presentation provides a key point in the development of the project, the feedback

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from which will allow the student to develop their project report before the submission.

The presentation will be followed by 5 minutes of critical questioning on the contents of the presentation.

Element A2, Portfolio Presentation:

A portfolio presentation (A2) and project report (B1) are designed to assess the student's deeper understanding of the work under taken in the key areas of:

Effectively and precisely discuss the technical content of the project.

Critically evaluate the work presented in the project report.

Clearly articulate any limitations of the project.

Provide clear and well justified answers to questions on the project.

Component B:

Element B1, Project report:

The aim of the report is to fully explain the background, aims, methods, results, analysis, and conclusions and recommendations of the work undertaken. The report will:

Contain a literature review which critically analyses and evaluates the relevant background and identifies a gap in that needs to be filled by the work undertaken.

Include the methodology adopted together with a justification of this methodology.

Clearly state the results and the analysis of the data undertaken.

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Critically evaluate the results in the light of the previous literature.

Provide conclusions, recommendations and a discussion of limitations.

The report word count is 9000, excluding appendices and reference list. Any data included in the appendices must be directly relevant to the project.

Appendices to the report must include:

A project proposal developed before the progress presentation.

Marking criteria:

The marking criteria for each element will be published in the brief / module handbook.

Moderation:

The marking team will blind mark a single submission and compare marks prior to marking the remainder of the reports. All reports will be double blind marked.

Assessment components:

Presentation - Component A (First Sit)

Description: Progress presentation (10 mins)

Weighting: 12.5 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO2, MO6

Presentation - Component A (First Sit)

Description: Portfolio Presentation (10 mins)

Weighting: 12.5 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO5, MO6

Report - Component B (First Sit)

Description: Project report (9,000 words)

Weighting: 75 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5, MO6, MO7

Presentation - Component A (Resit)

Description: Portfolio Presentation (10 mins)

Weighting: 25 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

Report - Component B (Resit)

Description: Project report (9,000 words)

Weighting: 75 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Civil and Environmental Engineering [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] - Not Running MEng 2020-21

Civil Engineering [Sep][FT][Frenchay][3yrs] BEng (Hons) 2020-21

Civil Engineering [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] MEng 2020-21

Civil and Environmental Engineering [Sep][FT][Frenchay][3yrs] - Not Running BEng (Hons) 2020-21

Civil and Environmental Engineering [Sep][SW][Frenchay][4yrs] BEng (Hons) 2019-20

Civil and Environmental Engineering (Foundation) [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BEng (Hons) 2019-20

Civil and Environmental Engineering [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] MEng 2019-20

Civil and Environmental Engineering {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BEng (Hons) 2018-19

Civil and Environmental Engineering [Sep][PT][Frenchay][7yrs] MEng 2018-19

Civil and Environmental Engineering {Apprenticeship-UWE} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][5yrs] BEng (Hons) 2018-19

Civil and Environmental Engineering [Sep][PT][Frenchay][5yrs] BEng (Hons) 2018-19