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MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information			
Module Title	Optometry Dissertation		
Module Code	UZYY58-30-3	Level	3
For implementation from	September 2020		
UWE Credit Rating	30	ECTS Credit Rating	15
Faculty	Health and Applied Sciences	Field	Allied Health Professions
Department	Allied Health Professions		
Contributes towards	BSc(Hons) Optometry		
Module type:	Project		
Pre-requisites	None		
Excluded Combinations	None		
Co- requisites	None		
Module Entry requirements	N/A		

Part 2: Description
This module will provide students with the opportunity to enhance their research skills by undertaking an optometric research project chosen from a list of titles generated by the programme team and stakeholders. The module will cover how to carry out an ethical, clinical based project or a literature based study, ensuring that the research question informs the methods of inquiry. The module will be mainly student led with minimal formal contact teaching, ensuring that students make the project their own and become accurate researchers. Students will be allocated a supervisor to guide them through the process.

Part 3: Assessment: Strategy and Details
Component A is a 6000 word dissertation based upon the chosen research title and proposal. **Rationale:** Students will undertake a piece of contemporary research in relation to an area of interest. The word count reflects the complexity of undertaking a research project and the critical process involved in writing and presenting a cohesive piece of work

Formative Assessment: Students will be assigned a dissertation supervisor who will provide formative assessment in the form of verbal guidance throughout the project, **a formative viva on the dissertation plan,** and written feedback on selected parts of the dissertation prior to submission.

Identify final timetabled piece of assessment (component and element)	Component A	

	A:	**B**:
% weighting between components A and B (Standard modules only)		

First Sit

Component A (controlled conditions) **Description of each element**	**Element weighting**
1. 6000 word dissertation	100%

Resit (further attendance at taught classes is not required)

Component A (controlled conditions) **Description of each element**	**Element weighting**
1. 6000 word dissertation	100%

Part 4: Learning Outcomes & KIS Data

Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this module students will be able to: • Articulate the methodology of the proposed project, with critical consideration of any variables that might affect the project (Component A) • Express a critical awareness of the chosen research field (Component A) • Critically analyse the available literature in the chosen area (Component A) • Conduct research into the topic of enquiry, ensuring the research question is answered and the process is ethical, reliable, valid and rigorous (Component A) • Analyse all data or other information obtained using appropriate statistics where relevant (Component A)
Key Information Sets Information (KIS) Contact Hours	**Key Information Set - Module data** *Number of credits for this module* 30

Hours to be allocated	Scheduled learning and teaching study hours	Independent study hours	Placement study hours	Allocated Hours
300	72	228	0	300

Total Assessment	The table below indicates as a percentage the total assessment of the module which constitutes a;

Written Exam: Unseen or open book written exam
Coursework: Written assignment or essay, report, dissertation, portfolio, project or in class test
Practical Exam: Oral Assessment and/or presentation, practical skills assessment, practical exam (i.e. an exam determining mastery of a technique)

Total assessment of the module:				
Written exam assessment percentage				0%
Coursework assessment percentage				100%
Practical exam assessment percentage				0%
				100%

Reading List	The following list is offered to provide validation panels/accrediting bodies with an indication of the type and level of information students may be expected to consult. As such, its currency may wane during the life span of the module specification. *Current* advice on reading will be available via the online module reading list: https://uwe.rl.talis.com/lists/B53EA8ED-DF0E-4E33-8203-3B2E3EFCBE50.html

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