

**MODULE SPECIFICATION****Part 1: Information**

Module Title	The Berlin Republic		
Module Code	UZQY66-15-3	Level	3
For implementation from	September 2018		
UWE Credit Rating	15	ECTS Credit Rating	7.5
Faculty	Health and Applied Sciences	Field	Politics
Department	Health and social Sciences		
Contributes towards	BA (Hons) Politics and International Relations BA (Hons) Politics and International Relations (with Foundation Year) MSc Global Political Economy		
Module type:	Standard		
Pre-requisites	None		
Excluded Combinations	None		
Co- requisites	None		
Module Entry requirements	None		

Part 2: Description

This module will present an analysis of the main political institutions in the Federal Republic of Germany, and important concepts in the study of their development after reunification. It will examine an influential political system in continental Europe and the key challenges it faces in the 21st century. The module highlights the complex interplay of political actors, institutional arenas and policy processes to come to grips with broader processes of Europeanisation. It will furthermore draw on comparisons with other established democracies to identify major trends in German politics with reference to both domestic and international settings.

Part 3: Assessment

Learning outcomes will be assessed by individual student contributions to set tasks on the Blackboard Discussion Group facility and by a written open book examination:

Component B Set Tasks in Blackboard Discussion Group

This piece of assessment requires a student to write and upload a set of three short commentaries in response to weekly set tasks in the Blackboard Discussion Group facility. This piece of assessment will provide students with an opportunity to further develop their skills in advancing a clear and persuasive argument. Students will be encouraged to deploy a critical analysis in order to develop and support their argument. In addition students will be able to enhance their writing skills, independent study, and a skill of clearly articulating and effectively communicating complex ideas within a set word limit.

Component A Seen Exam

This piece of assessment will require a student to answer two exam questions in two hours, with the questions provided in advance. The exam is designed to test both students' knowledge regarding the topics examined in

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this module and their essay-writing abilities. The exam is designed to assess students' ability to offer clearly written and expressed critical analysis under specific time constraints.													
Identify final timetabled piece of assessment (component and element)		Component A											
% weighting between components A and B (Standard modules only)		A:	B:										
		70	30										
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Component A (controlled conditions) Description of each element		Element weighting (as % of component)											
1. Seen Exam (2 hours)		100 %											
Component B Description of each element		Element weighting (as % of component)											
1. Set Tasks in Blackboard Discussion Group (3 x 350 words)		100 %											
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Part 4: Teaching and Learning Methods													
Learning Outcomes	<p>On successful completion of this module students are expected to demonstrate:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a critical understanding of different approaches to the study of German politics after reunification (components A & B); an ability to interpret and analyse issues of German public policy from an institutional perspective (components A & B); an ability to critically evaluate the consequences of Europeanisation in a specific country context (components A & B); an ability to present coherent arguments at both abstract and concrete levels in the subject area (components A & B); an ability to critically analyse, evaluate and reflect upon empirical materials relating to the subject area (components A & B). 												
Key Information Sets Information (KIS)	<p><u>Key Information Set - Module data</u></p> <p><i>Number of credits for this module</i> 15</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 15%;">Hours to be allocated</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Scheduled learning and teaching study hours</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Independent study hours</th> <th style="width: 20%;">Placement study hours</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Allocated Hours</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>150</td> <td>36</td> <td>114</td> <td>0</td> <td>150</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 5px;"></div> <p>The table below indicates as a percentage the total assessment of the module which</p>			Hours to be allocated	Scheduled learning and teaching study hours	Independent study hours	Placement study hours	Allocated Hours	150	36	114	0	150
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Reading List	https://uwe.rl.talis.com/lists/500413D6-1621-27DC-8703-E21B8974D7D8.html?draft																														

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