

University of the West of England

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information						
Module Title	Work based learning					
Module Code	USSKNK-15-2	Level	2			
For implementation from	September 2018					
UWE Credit Rating	15	ECTS Credit Rating	7.5			
Faculty	Health and Applied Sciences	Field	Applied Sciences			
Department	Applied Sciences					
Contributes towards	FdSc Biological Laboratory Sciences					
Module type:	Standard					
Pre-requisites	None					
Excluded Combinations	None					
Co- requisites	None					
Module Entry requirements	None					

Part 2: Description

This module introduces and develops essential skills employed in the effective acquisition and use of information encountered in laboratory practices. The module is based around the development of those skills which, once acquired, are applied and further developed in the workplace. Additionally, the knowledge and skills should assist learners in their future careers as these skills are increasingly demanded by employers. The module focuses on four essential areas; communication (oral, textual and graphical); application of number; information technology (data search and analysis skills); and basic laboratory management skills.

Students will be expected to source their own work-based learning opportunities, with support from the course team and HE careers adviser. Through this, students will develop skills of CV and application writing, and professional presentation of themselves as suitable candidates for employment. Where work placement opportunities are limited for any reason, staff will use their industry contacts to help place a student, or provide simulated briefs based on 'real-world' scenarios, to be carried out within the UCW laboratory setting.

Student are required to present their findings from their work-based learning in both written and verbal formats.

Part 3: Assessment

The assessment strategy has been designed to support and enhance the development of subject-based knowledge and practical skills, whilst ensuring that the learning outcomes are achieved.

Component A is a 20 minute oral presentation based on a written review of the students work place experiences. This assessment will provide students with an opportunity to demonstrate both their ability to reflect on their own experiences and science communication skills.

Component B is a reflective evaluation of the work-placement, undertaken by students that includes a skills analysis, smart targets for personal development, pdp and future planning as part of an overall evaluation of themselves for their future career.

All work is marked in line with the UWE generic assessment criteria and conforms to university policies for the setting, collection, marking and return of student work. Assessments are described in the module handbook that is supplied at the start of module.

Identify final timetabled piece of assessment (component and element)	Component B			
% weighting between components A and B (Standard modules only)	A: 50	B: 50		
First Sit				
Component A (controlled conditions) Description of each element	Element weighting (as % of component)			
1. Oral presentation (20 min)	100			
Component B Description of each element	Element weighting (as % of component)			
1. Portfolio (2000 words)		100		
Resit (further attendance at taught classes is not required)				
Component A (controlled conditions) Description of each element		t weighting component)		
1. Oral presentation (20 min)		100		
Component B Description of each element	Element weighting (as % of component)			
1. Portfolio (2000 words)		100		
Part 4: Teaching and Learning Methods				
Learning Outcomes On successful completion of this module students will b • Reflectively evaluate work practices in a scient • Evaluation of personal skills and knowledge (B) • Employ strategies for career development (B) • Communication skills. (A)	ific laborator	y (A)		

Key Information Sets Information	Key Information Set - Module data					
(KIS)	Number of credits for this module 15					
Contact Hours	Hours to be Scheduled Independent Placement Allocated learning and study hours study hours Hours study hours study hours					
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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 50%					
	Practical exam assessment percentage 50%					
	100%					
Reading List	 The following book is recommended as it covers most of the module material at an appropriate level: Fanthome, C. (2004) <i>Work Placements: A Survival Guide for Students</i>. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan. The UWE Library work based learning workbook: <u>http://academicskills.uwe.ac.uk/wbl/workbooks/work-based-learning/18400/welcome</u> Further reading will be provided at the beginning of the module. 					

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