



Module Specification

Professional Practice

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Professional Practice

Module code: UZVYBG-20-3

Level: Level 6

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 20

ECTS credit rating: 10

Faculty: Faculty of Health & Applied Sciences

Department: HAS Dept of Social Sciences

Partner institutions: University Centre Weston

Field: Health, Community and Policy Studies

Module type: Module

Pre-requisites: None

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: No

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: This module incorporates the End Point Assessment (EPA); it consolidates learning undertaken at levels 1 and 2, bringing together technical skills and environmental, health and regulatory knowledge to address the type of real-world scenarios undertaken by practitioners in professional practice.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: Students will engage in revision sessions in a range of field activities and/or simulated scenarios, enabling them to demonstrate their ability to assess environmental health risks and devise appropriate courses of action, having regard to legislative requirements, statutory and non-statutory guidance. Students will review their existing knowledge to apply to systematically managing complaints, inspections and audits.

Outline syllabus: No new material is taught as part of this module. Revision of previously taught content in preparation for the assessment is delivered by Weston.

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: See assessment strategy.

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

MO1 Critically evaluate the procedures and practices involved in carrying out evidence and risk-based inspections, audits and investigations

MO2 Demonstrate the ability to investigate and resolve suspected non-compliance with legislative requirements, demonstrating an in-depth understanding and application of legislative provisions, statutory guidance, criminal investigation procedures and enforcement powers

MO3 Critically evaluate the efficacy of public and environmental health interventions, the benefits of partnership working, stakeholder engagement and opportunities to enhance professional practice

MO4 Critically evaluate the concepts and principles of leadership and professional ethics and their application to own practice

Hours to be allocated: 200

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 140 hours

Face-to-face learning = 60 hours

Total = 200

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link

<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/environmental-health-practitioner-integrated-degree-v1-0>

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: This module comprises of the End Point Assessment (EPA), the detailed requirements of which can be found in the 'Integrated End-point assessment plan for Environmental Health Practitioner (Integrated Degree) apprenticeship standard'. Click here for the detailed requirements of the EPA: https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/media/3397/st0714_environmental-health-practitioner_l6_ap-for-publication_minor-amend_.pdf

Both assessment methods must be passed for the apprentice to pass the apprenticeship.

Written Exam – End Point Assessment

The exam will be case-study based, with the apprentice receiving the case study two weeks prior to the date of the written exam. The case study will be no more than 2000 words and will have no more than five pages of appendices of supporting data evidence which can include, for example, tables, graphs, photographs or other data. The case study will be themed around two of the five core areas of environmental health: food safety, health and safety, housing, public health, and environmental protection. The case study exam will be developed to allow for subjectivity in order for apprentices to draw on their knowledge.

Professional Discussion – End Point Assessment

At the beginning of the professional discussion, the apprentice will be given three scenarios from three different areas of environmental health. Apprentices will have 20 minutes to read all three scenarios and prioritise these in order of

environmental/public health risk. During this time the apprentice is permitted to make notes on each of the scenarios. After the 20 minutes, the apprentice will have 10 minutes to verbally justify their prioritisation order, focusing on their understanding of environmental/public health risk. Following the prioritisation exercise, the apprentice will select one of the three scenarios, which will form the basis for a 75 minute professional discussion with assessors.

Resit strategy:

As per End Point Assessment Plan, the maximum grade awarded to a re-sit/re-take for an individual assessment method will be a Pass, unless the End Point Assessment Organisation identifies exceptional extenuating circumstances accounting for the original fail.

Assessment tasks:

Examination (First Sit)

Description: Written Exam - End Point Assessment (3 hours). This is marked as Pass/Fail with a non-standard pass mark (70%). At first sit the overall module is graded Fail/Pass/Merit; at resit and retake it is capped at Fail/Pass.

Weighting: 0 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

Presentation (First Sit)

Description: Professional Discussion – End Point Assessment (EPA) (105 minutes). At first sit this is graded Fail/Pass/Merit; at resit and retake it is capped at Fail/Pass. At first sit the overall module is graded Fail/Pass/Merit; at resit and retake it is capped at Fail/Pass.

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO4

Examination (Resit)

Description: Written Exam - End Point Assessment (3 hours). This is marked as Pass/Fail with a non-standard pass mark (70%). At first sit the overall module is graded Fail/Pass/Merit; at resit and retake it is capped at Fail/Pass.

Weighting: 0 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3

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Description: Professional Discussion – End Point Assessment (EPA) (105 minutes). At first sit this is graded Fail/Pass/Merit; at resit and retake it is capped at Fail/Pass. At first sit the overall module is graded Fail/Pass/Merit; at resit and retake it is capped at Fail/Pass.

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO4

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Environmental Health Practitioner {Apprenticeship-UCW} [Sep][FT][UCW][4yrs] BSc (Hons) 2020-21