Module Specification

Introduction to the Project Environment

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Introduction to the Project Environment

Module code: UMMDVM-15-1

Level: Level 4

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 15

ECTS credit rating: 7.5

Faculty: Faculty of Business & Law

Department: FBL Dept of Business & Management

Partner institutions: University Centre Weston

Delivery locations: University Centre Weston

Field:

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 will provide you with a foundation knowledge of project management providing the building blocks on which the programme will develop. This ensures that you will understand the basic principles and practices of the project management environment. You will explore how projects are planned and managed across different organisational structures.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: In addition to the learning outcomes, you will develop your awareness of the core project management knowledge and theory to build on throughout the course. This will allow you to begin to increase your participation in project delivery within your organisation.

You will also explore, develop, and practise (but not be formally assessed in) the following areas: independent learning, group work and skills associated with discussion and debate.

Outline syllabus: This module covers a wide range of topics at a summary level. The syllabus may include:

Project management terminology

Basic techniques within phases of the project lifecycle

People and skills required to successfully manage a project

Project operating environment

Porters 5 Forces

Stakeholder and communication management

Planning frameworks

Organisational structures

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: This module may consist of the following activities:

Lectures

Seminars

1:1 tutorials

Peer reviews

Visiting industry speaker talks

Independent study

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

> **MO1** Demonstrate knowledge and understanding when defining a project in contrast to business as usual, including the project organisation and its role in the delivery of strategic aims.

> **MO2** Identify and justify different approaches to project planning including lifecycles and the Project Management Plan (PMP)

> **MO3** Demonstrate an understanding of the techniques used for project monitoring and delivery during the deployment phase

> **MO4** Evaluate the importance of soft skills in project management including communication, teamwork and leadership

Hours to be allocated: 150

Contact hours:

> Independent study/self-guided study = 105 hours

> Face-to-face learning = 45 hours

> Total = 150

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link https://rl.talis.com/3/uwe/lists/4AF05DF1-07F0-76D9-1162-4224777B07CE.html?lang=en

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Presentation (10 mins)
You will develop a presentation that discusses the initial deployment phase of a industry relevant project. Your presentation will demonstrate your understanding of the techniques for project scoping and monitoring during the deployment phase. The assessment strategy for this module may also include using a range of formative assessment techniques including questioning and group exercises being employed throughout the module to ensure that learners can meet the breadth of learning outcomes and receive feedback from the tutor.

Assessment criteria on this module are aligned to the Learning Outcomes. There will be both formative and summative assessment throughout. This reflects an 'assessment for learning' approach which is integral to the Learning and Teaching Strategies of UWE and University Centre Weston. Assessment criteria on this module are aligned to the Learning Outcomes.

Assessment components:

Presentation (First Sit)
Description: Presentation (10 minutes).
The presentation will explore how projects are scoped, planned and developed.
Weighting: 100 %
Final assessment: Yes
Group work: No
Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

Presentation (Resit)

Description: Presentation (10 minutes).

The presentation will explore how projects are scoped, planned and developed.

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Project Management {Apprenticeship-UCW} [UCW] BSc (Hons) 2023-24