



**MODULE SPECIFICATION**

<b>Part 1: Basic Data</b>					
Module Title	Guided Studies				
Module Code	UTTGRX-30-2	Level	2	Version	2
Owning Faculty	Arts, Creative Industries and Education	Field	Primary, Early Childhood and Education Studies		
Contributes towards	BA (Hons) Early Childhood BA (Hons) Early Childhood with Foundation Year FdA Educational Support				
UWE Credit Rating	30	ETCS Credit Rating	15	Module Type	Standard
Pre-requisites			Co- requisites		
Excluded Combinations			Module Entry requirements		
Valid From	September 2018	Valid to	September 2024		

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<b>Part 2: Learning and Teaching</b>	
Learning Outcomes	<p>On successful completion of this module students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identify a range of published sources relevant to the investigation of a specified area of study (Comp A:1/2)</li> <li>2. Analyse the key issues raised in a range of studies within a specified area incorporating theoretical, practice based and policy based sources (Comp A:1/2)</li> <li>3. Recognise the competing perspectives apparent in arguments presented within a specified area incorporating theoretical, practice based and policy based sources (Comp A:1/2)</li> <li>4. Follow a supported process of enquiry and study to pursue an identified goal (Comp A:1/2)</li> <li>5. Take responsibility for their own learning accommodating new principles and understandings (Comp A:1/2)</li> </ol>
Syllabus Outline	<p>Identifying ideas and issues which merit further investigation in a specified area within a programme</p> <p>Searching for relevant academic and policy related sources in the area of study</p> <p>Developing an area of enquiry and specifying questions for investigation</p> <p>Developing a written argument in a specified area</p>
Contact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teaching and learning will be managed through a range of strategies including</li> </ul>

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Hours/Scheduled Hours	<p>lectures, seminars and tutorials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact time will also be composed of virtual forms of communication using email discussion groups, virtual learning environments (VLEs) and other technology-aided means.</li> </ul>
Teaching and Learning Methods	<p><b>Scheduled learning</b> includes lectures, seminars, tutorials, supervision.</p> <p><b>Independent learning</b> includes hours engaged with essential reading, case study preparation, assignment preparation and completion etc. These sessions constitute an average time per level as indicated in the table below.</p> <p>Whole cohort events: 2 hours  Seminars (including library workshops): 5 hours  Guided study time: 63 hours  Tutorials: 2 hours</p>
Reading Strategy*	<p><b>Essential Reading</b>  Any essential reading will be indicated clearly, along with the method for accessing it, e.g. students may be expected to purchase a set text, be given a study pack or be referred to texts that are available electronically, or in the Library. Module guides will also reflect the range of reading to be carried out.</p> <p><b>Further Reading</b>  All students are encouraged to read widely using the library catalogue, a variety of bibliographic and full text databases and Internet resources. Many resources can be accessed remotely. Guidance to some key authors and journal titles available through the Library will be given in the Module Guide and updated annually. Assignment reference lists are expected to reflect the range of reading carried out.</p> <p><b>Access and Skills</b>  Students are expected to be able to identify and retrieve appropriate reading. This module offers an opportunity to further develop information skills introduced at Level 1. Students will be given the opportunity to attend the GDP sessions on selection of appropriate databases and search skills. Additional support is available through the Library Services web pages, including interactive tutorials on finding books and journals, evaluating information and referencing. Sign up workshops are also offered by the Library.</p> <p><b>Indicative Reading List</b>  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 additional reading will be available via the module guide or Blackboard pages.</p> <p>Students will be encouraged to make full use of opportunities provided by the library to develop their study skills including both face to face training and online learning within the i-skill zone.</p> <p><a href="http://iskillzone.uwe.ac.uk/RenderPages/RenderRoom.aspx?Context=10&amp;Area=8&amp;Room=47">http://iskillzone.uwe.ac.uk/RenderPages/RenderRoom.aspx?Context=10&amp;Area=8&amp;Room=47</a></p>
Indicative Reading List	<p>Fairbairn, GJ &amp; Winch, C (2011) <i>Reading, writing and reasoning</i> 3rd edition Maidenhead: Open University Press</p> <p>Levin, P (2004) <i>Write great essays! A guide to reading and essay writing for undergraduates and taught postgraduates</i> Maidenhead: Open University Press</p> <p>Marshall, L &amp; Rowland, S (2006) <i>A guide to learning independently</i> 4<sup>th</sup> edition Maidenhead: Open University Press</p> <p>Further literature will be provided once the precise area of study has been identified</p>

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<b>Part 3: Assessment</b>	
Assessment Strategy	<p>Assessment and feedback are an integral part of learning and teaching and we prepare and encourage students to formatively self and peer assess as well as providing staff-led assessment opportunities. This will enable students to gain insights into their strengths and areas for development and identify areas to prioritise in their independent study.</p> <p>The article review and the literature review are designed to enable students to choose their field of study and to work carefully with a range of literature to support this. Students should address the same or a similar issue in both element A and element B.</p> <p><b>Assessment Criteria</b></p> <p><b>A: Conceptual Domain (Core)</b> The assignment demonstrates that the student can use and organise coherently relevant ideas and perspectives to interpret and/or explore issues under study.</p> <p><b>B: Literature Domain</b> The assignment demonstrates that the student has an awareness of appropriate literature and can discuss its relevance to the task.</p>

Identify final assessment component and element	<b>A Element 2</b>
<b>First Sit</b>	
Component A (controlled conditions) Description of each element	Element weighting
<p><b>Element 1</b></p> <p>A review of a published article in an area negotiated with the tutor of 2,500 words. Assessment criteria AL2, BL2</p>	50%
<p><b>Element 2</b></p> <p>A written assignment (2500 words) in relation to a theme negotiated with the tutor and linked to the area explored in component A.</p> <p><b>Assessment criteria AL2</b>, plus two other criteria negotiated with the tutor from the list above</p>	50%

<b>Resit (further attendance at taught classes is not required)</b>	
Component A (controlled conditions) Description of each element	Element weighting
<p><b>Element 1</b></p> <p>A review of a published article in an area negotiated with the tutor of 2,500 words. Assessment criteria AL2 BL2</p>	50%
<p><b>Element 2</b></p> <p>A written assignment (2500 words) in relation to a theme negotiated with the tutor and linked to the area explored in component A. Assessment criteria AL2 plus two other level 1 criteria negotiated with the tutor from the list above</p>	50%
<p>If a student is permitted an <b>EXCEPTIONAL RETAKE</b> of the module the assessment will be that indicated by the Module Description at the time that retake commences.</p>	

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