



## **Module Specification**

### **Building Surveys and Professional Consultancy**

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## Part 1: Information

**Module title:** Building Surveys and Professional Consultancy

**Module code:** UBLMTS-15-2

**Level:** Level 5

**For implementation from:** 2023-24

**UWE credit rating:** 15

**ECTS credit rating:** 7.5

**College:** Faculty of Environment & Technology

**School:** FET Dept of Architecture & Built Environ

**Partner institutions:** None

**Field:** Architecture and the Built Environment

**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:** Not applicable

**Features:** Not applicable

**Educational aims:** This module provides students with an opportunity to study a range of professional services offered to clients by a building surveying practice. The breadth of such advice will be explored more generally and then areas such as

property inspection, dilapidations and party wall awards are dealt with in more detail. The details of the specialisms concentrated on may vary year on year.

**Outline syllabus:** The module covers the evaluation, interpretation and presentation of findings/results regarding a range of property and construction related matters. This is divided into consideration of the reasons for and procedure needed to carry out a range of appraisals in the first part of the module followed by an introduction to the particular issues likely to be encountered in a range of professional services relating to instructions.

The following list is indicative but topics might not be studied in this order nor given equal weighting:

Site Appraisal

Historical Appraisals

Dilapidation,

Party Walls,

Boundary Disputes

Due Diligence,

Development Monitoring,

Client Representation,

Expert Witness

Ethics and Professional Standards

### Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

**Teaching and learning methods:** Scheduled learning includes lectures, tutorials and external visits / external speakers.

Independent learning includes hours engaged with essential reading, assignment preparation and completion etc.

Activity (hrs)

Contact time, lectures, tutorials, (36)

Assimilation and development of knowledge (74)

Exam preparation (20)

Coursework preparation (20)

Total study time (150)

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

**MO1** Explain the differing nature of situations that generate the need for surveys or inspections and evaluation of interests held in property

**MO2** Identify and justify the appropriate evaluation methods for particular inspection purposes

**MO3** Demonstrate an ability to undertake the process of an evaluation in a rigorous systematic and competent manner

**MO4** Critically examine evidence gained from an evaluation, and understand its significance in a particular situation.

**MO5** Demonstrate an ability to record, assimilate and convey the information from an evaluation

**MO6** Outline the current legislation and likely involvement of a property professional relating to a number of professional services

**Hours to be allocated:** 150

**Contact hours:**

Independent study/self-guided study = 114 hours

Face-to-face learning = 36 hours

Total = 150

**Reading list:** The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://uwe.rl.talis.com/index.html) via the following link <https://uwe.rl.talis.com/index.html>

## **Part 4: Assessment**

**Assessment strategy:** The assessment strategy for the module is made up of two assessments:

An end of semester exam which will provide a suitable, rigorous and effective mechanism under controlled conditions for measuring how effectively the students have attained the learning outcomes. Exam to be 2 hours in duration with 3 questions to be attempted. 1 of the questions relates to the analysis and interpretation of seen material. The other 2 questions are to be chosen from 4.

And

An assessed practical to be carried out during the semester in two parts. The first consisting of a site visit and appraisal with investigation and notes taken in response to a given scenario and brief. The second part to be an individual submission of a relevant part of a report based on the previous inspection (1500 words)

The resit coursework will consist of a report based on information provided (1500 words)

### **Assessment tasks:**

#### **Examination (Online) (First Sit)**

Description: Online Exam (24 hours)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO4, MO6

**Practical Skills Assessment (First Sit)**

Description: Assessed practical (1500 words equivalent)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO3, MO4, MO5

**Examination (Online) (Resit)**

Description: Online Exam (24 hours)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

**Practical Skills Assessment (Resit)**

Description: Report on information provided (1500 words)

Weighting: 50 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO3, MO4, MO5

**Part 5: Contributes towards**

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study: