



## **Module Specification**

### **Negotiated Specialist Ultrasound Practice 1**

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## Part 1: Information

**Module title:** Negotiated Specialist Ultrasound Practice 1

**Module code:** UZYSBK-30-M

**Level:** Level 7

**For implementation from:** 2023-24

**UWE credit rating:** 30

**ECTS credit rating:** 15

**Faculty:** Faculty of Health & Applied Sciences

**Department:** HAS School of Health and Social Wellbeing

**Partner institutions:** None

**Field:** Allied Health Professions

**Module type:** Module

**Pre-requisites:** None

**Excluded combinations:** None

**Co-requisites:** Fundamentals of Ultrasound Technology 2023-24

**Continuing professional development:** Yes

**Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements:** None

## Part 2: Description

**Overview:** Not applicable

**Features:** Entry Requirements: s Applicants must be working in a relevant area of ultrasound practice, and have either completed or be enrolled on a relevant physics or the Fundamentals of Ultrasound Technology module, by agreement with the module leader.

**Educational aims:** The aim of this module is to develop a safe and competent practitioner equipped with knowledge, critical understanding and professional skills for participation in an effective Ultrasound Imaging service.

**Outline syllabus:** This module is likely to include:

Subject specific topics, for example:

Normal anatomy & physiology; anatomical variants; normal ultrasound appearances; pathological processes; abnormal ultrasound appearances; scanning techniques; use in health screening

Subject specific variations:

Role of ultrasound in the overall management of the patient.

Complementary and/or alternative imaging techniques.

Interpretation and recording of examination data.

Safety guidelines, protocols and legislation.

Contemporary research and developments in ultrasound.

Techniques related to ultrasound imaging of chosen specialist field.

Legal and Ethical Issues

Professional and Employment Issues Relating to Negotiated Specialist Ultrasound Practice

Communication Skills

Reporting of Ultrasound Images

Group Working

Project Management Skills

### **Part 3: Teaching and learning methods**

**Teaching and learning methods:** The content of the module will be defined following discussions between the module leader, the student and the work-based manager, and will result in a Learning Contract being drawn up. This contract will specify exactly how the module learning outcomes will be achieved. The nature of

the module enables the student to negotiate and learn with significant and relevant others as they see fit. Clinical assessment areas will also be defined as a result of discussions, and subject specific competencies must be demonstrated in all areas.

Potential areas for student study must be negotiated with the Module Leader and could include specialty areas such as the following:

Vascular ultrasound

Musculo-skeletal ultrasound

Specialist Cancer Care

Echocardiography

Fetal Medicine

Or other specialist areas where ultrasound is integral to diagnosis and management of the patient.

The placement hours for this module are a normal average, based on this being a practice-based programme which normally requires students to complete on average a minimum of 15 hours per week in a relevant practice setting per professional practice module.

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

**MO1** Utilise relevant knowledge of anatomy, physiology and pathology of the negotiated specialised ultrasound area to make evaluative judgements on the outcomes of ultrasound examination.

**MO2** Competently, skilfully, and accurately, perform and report the findings of, the relevant range of ultrasound procedures.

**MO3** Critically evaluate the contribution that the negotiated specialist ultrasound area makes to the overall management of the patient with reference to any relevant screening and diagnostic procedures.

**MO4** Critically appraise the evidence base for the negotiated specialised ultrasound area and reflect on one's own practice and the practice of others within this context.

**MO5** Demonstrate a critical knowledge of the legal, ethical, professional and organisational aspects of current ultrasound practice in the relevant area of ultrasound.

**MO6** Effectively communicate with clients, their families and healthcare professionals, and make appropriate referrals as required.

**Hours to be allocated:** 300

**Contact hours:**

Independent study/self-guided study = 188 hours

Placement = 390 hours

Face-to-face learning = 112 hours

Total = 690

**Reading list:** The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/uzyspk-30-m.html) via the following link <https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/uzyspk-30-m.html>

## **Part 4: Assessment**

**Assessment strategy:** Assessment Task 1: Completion of a Clinical Portfolio to include summative clinical assessments. Summative requirements of the portfolio are:

Learning Contract

Clinical Case Logs (minimum of 100, with 4 of these to be summatively assessed)

Final Placement Report

Rationale: This component of assessment provides the opportunity for the student to demonstrate clinical competence and appreciation of the role of a sonographer in the relevant context of ultrasound imaging.

Assessment Task 2: Structured Oral and Practical Examination (SOPE) maximum 45 minutes

Rationale: The use of a SOPE replicates the required skills of image commenting in clinical practice and enables demonstration of knowledge and clinical reasoning through both practical demonstration and defended questioning. It enables the demonstration of the knowledge and understanding of the protocols, skills and reasoning (including relevant contemporary research) underpinning relevant ultrasound imaging, assessment and clinical reasoning.

Formative Assessment Opportunities: A range of resources including simulation opportunities and practical workshops will be available in addition to tutor support and feedback both in practice and via the module team.

**Assessment tasks:**

**Portfolio (First Sit)**

Description: Clinical portfolio - pass/fail

Weighting:

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO6

**Practical Skills Assessment (First Sit)**

Description: Structured Oral and Practical Examination (SOPE) (maximum 45 minutes)

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO3, MO4, MO5

**Portfolio (Resit)**

Description: Clinical portfolio - pass/fail

Weighting:

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO6

**Practical Skills Assessment (Resit)**

Description: Structured Oral and Practical Examination (SOPE) (maximum 45 minutes)

Weighting: 100 %

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:

Medical Ultrasound [Glenside] MSc 2023-24

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