



Module Specification

Dissertation - Accounting and Finance

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Dissertation - Accounting and Finance

Module code: UMADMM-45-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 45

ECTS credit rating: 22.5

Faculty: Faculty of Business & Law

Department: FBL Dept of Accounting Economics & Finance

Partner institutions: None

Delivery locations: Not in use for Modules

Field: Accounting and Finance

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: See Learning Outcomes

Outline syllabus: The research skills necessary to undertake the dissertation will be provided in the separate Research Methods in Accounting and Finance module.

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: The module will provide students the opportunity to integrate and apply the learning and skills acquired through the programme by writing a substantial piece of individual research which is relevant to practitioners and/or researchers in the field of accounting and financial management. This might involve the testing of hypotheses, developing theory, or the provision of logically supported practitioner recommendations. Students will be encouraged to use the full range of data sources and analysis tools provided for Accounting and Finance postgraduate students.

The student will determine his or her own learning pattern. Each student will be guided by a suitably qualified supervisor. Once a student has been allocated a supervisor, he/she will agree upon a dissertation type and topic with their supervisor. There will then be periodic contact with that supervisor, during which time the student will report on the development of the research proposal into a formal plan of research, the review of existing literature and other information sources, data acquisition and analysis, and the development of discussions and a conclusion (or recommendations).

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

MO1 Plan and execute a significant piece of independent research in the field of financial management

MO2 Write a critical literature review

MO3 Identify, apply and defend an appropriate methodological approach to a research issue

MO4 Apply quantitative and/or qualitative analysis of data to synthesise new knowledge and insights

MO5 Evaluate the analytical and practical significance of research findings to produce practical conclusions and recommendations

MO6 Apply practical project management and organisational skills

Hours to be allocated: 450

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 450 hours

Total = 450

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/umadmm-45-m.html) via the following link

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Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Dissertation max 15,000 words

Students will build on their proposal prepared in the separate module Research Methods Accounting and Finance, to produce a piece of independent research in the field of accounting and financial management. Formative feedback and developmental support will be provided through supervisor meetings at various stages in the dissertation process.

Assessment components:

Dissertation (First Sit)

Description: Dissertation (max 15,000 words)

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5, MO6

Dissertation (Resit)

Description: Dissertation (max 15,000 words)

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Accounting and Finance [Villa] MSc 2023-24

Accounting and Finance [BIBM] MSc 2023-24

Accounting and Finance [Frenchay] MSc 2023-24