



Module Specification

Advanced Case Study

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Advanced Case Study

Module code: UMADQJ-15-3

Level: Level 6

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 15

ECTS credit rating: 7.5

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: This module provides a comprehensive opportunity to consolidate your learning on the programme by supporting the development of important analytical and critical reasoning skills.

Outline syllabus: Key topics from core accounting areas of: Financial Management; Management Accounting and Decision Making, and, Financial Accounting and Reporting will be incorporated into fictional business case studies replicating 'real-life' business scenarios. Ethical issues will also be introduced, in relation to corporate and/or individual professional responsibilities. Scenarios will be adapted to incorporate current issues, including but not limited to, areas such as sustainability, corporate social responsibility, equality and diversity.

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: The module enhances a student's ability to contextualise their knowledge and develop their critical reasoning skills through simulating real-life scenarios, placing students at the centre of the decision making. Students are presented with an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge of the core modules studied throughout the programme, whilst also challenging their application skills and judgement, in identifying connections across the topics and levels to solve typical business issues. Students will need to select relevant information from a significant volume of information and use reasoned judgement to present solutions to specific problems in an organisational setting. This replicates case studies that the professional accounting bodies require students to pass as a final test of their ability to be business advisors with competent technical skills, critical reasoning, and sound professional judgement, thus preparing students for the real-world.

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

MO1 Synthesise and evaluate data and information from multiple sources, and challenge viewpoints, ideas and concepts and make well-reasoned judgements

MO2 Identify the relationship between organisational structure, financing decisions and corporate reporting, and the impact on decision making.

MO3 Evaluate the nature of financial risk and how they are managed through organisational and financial strategies in a variety of contexts.

MO4 Apply management accounting and financial management techniques to analyse and evaluate business decisions in the context of a case study scenario.

MO5 Apply strategic decision making in a variety of organizational contexts.

MO6 Identify, evaluate and advise on ethical issues in a business scenario, in relation to corporate and/or individual professional responsibilities.

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 methods are designed to provide both formative and summative feedback, to enable students to demonstrate that they have achieved the learning outcomes of the module. Formative feedback will be provided as part of the taught course where practise case studies and extracts from case studies are used, providing students with regular contact with their module tutor(s).

The module will be assessed through the following:

On Campus Controlled Conditions Examination – (100%)

Students will be provided with advanced material (pre-seen information) 3-4 weeks prior to the exam. This information is a fictional business case study replicating a 'real-life' business scenario. Students will need to use reasoned judgement to select relevant information and perform suitable analysis to identify potential issues and

present solutions. The students have 3-4 weeks to perform this analysis to identify issues relating to Financial Management, Management Accounting and Decision Making, Financial Accounting and Reporting, and, Ethics. The availability of the information in advance replicates a real-life business situation and also builds in an element of learning and application similar to coursework format, although students must work alone on this analysis.

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The examination question requirements will not be made available in advance. On the day of the examination the requirements will be provided to the students, enabling them to use the analysis they have already completed plus complete any further analysis, to answer the requirements.

The examination will be a 2.5 hours in length (this is in-line with other L3 modules). Students will be allowed to take some relevant pre-prepared materials into the examination with them. This will consist of the analysis that they have been conducting on the pre-seen (advanced) materials.

Assessment components:

Examination (First Sit)

Description: On Campus Controlled Conditions Examination

2.5 hour examination where some pre-prepared materials will be allowed to be taken into the examination.

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

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

Examination (Resit)

Description: On Campus Controlled Conditions Examination

2.5 hour examination where students will be allowed to take some pre-prepared materials into the exam.

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

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

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Accounting and Finance [Sep][FT][Villa][3yrs] BSc (Hons) 2021-22

Accounting and Finance [Jan][FT][Villa][3yrs] BSc (Hons) 2021-22

Accounting and Finance [May][FT][Villa][3yrs] BSc (Hons) 2021-22

Accounting [Sep][FT][Frenchay][3yrs] BSc (Hons) 2021-22

Accounting and Finance [Sep][SW][Villa][4yrs] BSc (Hons) 2020-21

Accounting and Finance [Jan][SW][Villa][4yrs] BSc (Hons) 2020-21

Accounting and Finance [May][SW][Villa][4yrs] BSc (Hons) 2020-21

Accounting [Sep][SW][Frenchay][4yrs] BSc (Hons) 2020-21

Accounting {Foundation} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BSc (Hons) 2020-21

Accounting {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BSc (Hons) 2019-20