

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Module Code:	BUS7B1					
Module Title:	Emphasising the Environment					
Level:	7	Credit Value:		15		
Cost Centre(s):	GABP	JACS3 code: HECoS code:		N100 100079		
Faculty	SALS		Module Leader:	Dr Alexis Mason		
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Scheduled learning and teaching hours						15 hrs
Guided independent study						135 hrs
Placement						0 hrs
Module duration (total hours)						150 hrs
Programme(s) in which to be offered (not including exit awards) Core Option						
MBA			✓			
MBA Human Resource Management			✓			
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MBA Marketing					•	
Pre-requisites						
A first degree and appropriate work experience						
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Module Aims

To examine the complex relationship between business practices and the impact on the global environment

To consider ways in which business can contribute positively to global environmental concerns and policies

Intended Learning Outcomes

Key skills for employability

KS1	Written, oral and media communication skills
KS2	Leadership, team working and networking skills
KS3	Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
KS4	Information technology skills and digital literacy
KS5	Information management skills
KS6	Research skills
KS7	Intercultural and sustainability skills
KS8	Career management skills
KS9	Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, self-
	management)
KS10	Numeracy

At	the end of this module, students will be able to	Key Skills	
1	Prepare a critical insight into the development and	KS1	KS5
	progression of environmental issues and concerns within the	KS3	KS6
	context of business and management	KS4	
2	Design a structured plan which supports the introduction of an environmental strategy organizational aim within in a team, departmental, functional or overall context	KS1	KS5
		KS3	KS6
		KS4	
	Synthesize the potential benefits of incorporating sustainable	KS1	KS5
	issues as an organizational behaviour, value and beliefs	KS3	KS6
	•	KS4	KS9

Transferable skills and other attributes

Environmental, contextual and sustainable practices

Derogations
None

Assessment:

Indicative Assessment Tasks:

Assessment 1: A longitudinal report which traces the development of corporate social responsibility

Assessment 2: A poster presentation to illustrate an environmental management plan which may draw on international standards

Assessment 3: Reflective practice to consider ways in which business ethics and sustainable practice may contribute to an improved future environment

Assessment number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting (%)	Duration or Word count (or equivalent if appropriate)
1	1	Report	30%	1350
2	2	Poster presentation	45%	900
3	3	Reflective practice	25%	750

Learning and Teaching Strategies:

The learning and teaching strategy will consist of formal lectures to present theory, principles and practices which will form the foundation of the learning outcomes. Students will be encouraged to interact and contribute as a means of developing critical skills. Tutorials will be activity based using real world case studies and live examples to apply the theory into practice and develop their decision making and evaluating skills. In addition, students will be encouraged to undertake self-directed study and further research on selected topics to acquire additional perspectives which will provide them with a deeper understanding of the topics covered.

Syllabus outline:

What is Corporate Social Responsibility: Foundations and evolution

Drivers of corporate social responsibility

Corporate rights and responsibilities

Stakeholders and corporate social responsibilities

Socially responsible investment and economics

Sustainable development, compliance and accountability

Implementing corporate social responsibility

Business ethics

Indicative Bibliography:

Essential reading

Weybrecht, G. (2013) The Sustainable MBA: A Business Guide to Sustainability, 2nd Edn., John Wiley, Chichester

Young, S.T. and Dhanda, K.K. (2013) Sustainability, Sage Publications, London.

Other indicative reading

Blowfield, M. and Murray, A. (2019) Corporate Social Responsibility, (4th Edn.), Oxford University Press, Oxford

Malin, C. (2018) Corporate Governance (6th edn.) Oxford University Press, Oxford.

Rosenberg, M. (2015) Strategy and Sustainability, Palgrave Macmillan, Basingstoke.

Worthington, I. (2013) Greening Business, Oxford University Press, Oxford.

Journals:

Business Strategy and the Environment