

#### MODULE SPECIFICATION

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## Refer to guidance notes for completion of each section of the specification.

Module Code:	ONL705				
Module Title:	Finance Insights and Business Intelligence				
Level:	7	Credit Value:	15		
Cost Centre(s):	GABP	<u>JACS3</u> code: <u>HECoS</u> code:	N300 100107		
Faculty	FSLS	Module Leader:	Dr Ben Binsardi		
Scheduled learning and teaching hours					15 hrs
Total contact hours					<b>15</b> hrs
Guided independent study					135 hrs
Module duration (total hours)					150 hrs
Programme(s) in which to be offered (not including exit awards)					Option
MBA				✓	
MBA Human Resource Management					
MBA Marketing					
MBA Finance				✓	
MBA Project Management				✓	
MBA Health Management				✓	
MBA Entrepreneurship				✓	
MBA Cyber Security				✓	
MBA Big Data				✓	
MBA Psychology				✓	

Pre-requisites	
None	



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## Module Aims

This module aims to develop students' abilities to gain financial insights and business intelligence. This contributes to the sustainable financial wellbeing of commercial or non-profit institutions that are faced with disruptive competition.

Мс	Module Learning Outcomes - at the end of this module, students will be able to			
1	Provide critical insight into the finance functions of an organisation			
2	Undertake appropriate financial analysis and propose strategic recommendations on capital structures, valuation and investment alternatives.			
3	Identify appropriate techniques to gain financial insights and business intelligence in the big data age.			
4	Critically evaluate the financial performance of an organisation.			

Employability Skills The Wrexham Glyndŵr Graduate	I = included in module content A = included in module assessment N/A = not applicable
Guidance: complete the matrix to indicate which of the assessment in alignment with the matrix provided in th	e following are included in the module content and/or ne programme specification.
CORE ATTRIBUTES	
Engaged	A
Creative	I, A
Enterprising	I, A
Ethical	N/A
KEY ATTITUDES	
Commitment	A
Curiosity	A
Resilient	A
Confidence	A
Adaptability	A
PRACTICAL SKILLSETS	
Digital fluency	I, A
Organisation	I, A
Leadership and team working	N/A
Critical thinking	I, A
Emotional intelligence	I, A
Communication	1
Derogations	
None	

### Assessment:

Indicative Assessment Tasks:

A partial example of a past student's paper, with a C pass mark, will be provided. (Please watch the online lectures - Week seven).

Assessmen t Number	Outcomes I Vine of Assessment		Weighting (%)
1	1, 2	Report (1,000 words)	35%
2	3	Report (1,000 words)	30%
3	4	Report (1,000 words)	35%

## Learning and Teaching Strategies:

1) Online (pre-recorded) video lectures will critically outline general concepts, theories and principles. Students will be given a hyperlink to the video, so that they can watch the video at their own learning pace.

2) Online (pre-recorded) video seminars and activity-based sessions will use real-life examples to bridge relevant theories with practice. These online seminars are a useful platform to focus on a particular topic.

3) Either online quizzes or online discussion participation through a Twitter discussion board will be used to encourage and stimulate students' learning progression.

4) The spirit of online learning is that students will be encouraged to undertake self-directed study and further research on selected topics, to acquire additional perspectives that will provide them with a deeper understanding of the topics covered.

## Syllabus outline:

The module will be delivered over seven weeks:

- Week 1: The roles of finance function and capital structure.
- Week 2: Financial performance analysis.
- Week 3: Investment, financing and dividend policies.
- Week 4: Cost of capital, valuation and asset pricing.
- Week 5: Investment appraisal techniques 1 (Payback period, accounting rate of return and discounted payback period)
- Week 6: Investment appraisal techniques 2 (Net present value, internal rate of return and sensitivity analysis).
- Week 7: Financial environment, big data and market structures.

Indicative Bibliography:

## **Essential reading**

Atrill, P. (2017). *Financial Management for Decision Makers*, Paperback Eighth Edition, London, UK, Publisher: Pearson Education.

# Recommended reading (textbooks, journals and websites)

Binsardi, B. (2009). Corporate Financial Systems, London, UK, Publisher: Northwest Academic Publication, ISBN: 978-0946881529.
(An out-of-print textbook; complimentary chapters will be provided electronically).

Brigham, E., Ehrhardt, M. and Fox, R. (2016). *Financial Management: Theory and Practice*, London, UK, Publisher: Cengage Learning, ISBN: 978-1473729605

- Salvatore, D. (2015). *Managerial Economics Principles and Worldwide Applications*, International Eighth edition, Oxford, UK, Publisher: Oxford University Press, ISBN: 100195326997.
- Holmes, D. E. (2017). *Big Data: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford, UK, Publisher: Oxford University Press, ISBN: 10-0198779577.

Nagirikandalage, P. and Binsardi, B. (2017). '*Inquiry into the Cultural Impact on Cost Accounting Systems (CAS)*', Managerial Auditing Journal, Vol. 32, No. 4-5, pp. 46399, Online ISSN: 0268-6902, Publisher: Emerald Group.

Treptow, E. (2014). *'Financial Intelligence: A Manager's Guide to Knowing What the Numbers Really Mean'*, Journal of Business and Finance Librarianship, Vol. 19, No. 2, pp. 172-74, ISSN: 0896-3568.

*Financial Management: Theory and Practice's website:* https://www.cengage.co.uk/books/9781473729605/

Managerial Economics in a Global Economy's website: http://global.oup.com/us/companion.websites/9780199397129/