

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

MODULE TITLE	SINGLE RESEARCH PROJECT		
MODULE CODE	TL3525 (L6)	CREDIT VALUE	20 CREDITS / 10 ECTS
SCHOOL	SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT		

MODULE AIMS

The aim of the Single Research Project is to provide an opportunity for students to study a topic of their own choice, which is related to their substantive areas of study. Students will work independently, under limited supervision, in order to develop and demonstrate their academic skills and abilities. The Single Research Project will involve the gathering and analysis of secondary data within the context of current academic theory; it will not normally entail the collection of a significant amount of primary data.

MODULE CONTENT

The module will see students undertake an independent piece of literature-based research, subject to approval by a suitable member of the academic faculty. Uni- or multi-disciplinary investigations will be considered. Students may also consider using small case-study approaches to facilitate their research objectives. However, the single research project can take many forms which you must discuss with your supervisor before commencing the module assessments.

INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of this module a student will be able to:	
1.	Critically evaluate and review information.
2.	Design and implement a piece of independent investigation, in the literature review form.
3.	Carry out appropriate literature synthesis to formulate a definitive, and critical, conclusion.

TEACHING METHODS

Students will meet with their tutor on a minimum of three occasions throughout the year. To facilitate the achievement of the learning outcomes listed, students will need to take a pro-active role in their own learning. Students will be expected to work on their own initiative in the development of appropriate skills, taking a critical appreciation of their progress.

Assessment one (an individual report, 1000 words) is designed to encourage students to reflect upon the rationale and purpose of their intended focus of study. In addition, the report will prompt students to explore and engage with the relevant literatures. The final assessment (an individual 3000 word report) enables students to build upon their initial findings by completing a detailed evaluative analysis of their chosen topic

ASSESSMENT METHODS

This module is assessed through an Interim proposal (25%) and a Final Report (75%).