



## Module Definition Form (MDF)

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| <b>Module code: MOD010675</b> | <b>Version: 1    Date Amended: 10/Dec/2024</b> |
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| <b>1. Module Title</b> |
| Capstone Project       |

  

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| <b>2a. Module Leader</b> |
| Shawkat Rahman           |

  

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| <b>2b. School</b>    |
| School of Management |

  

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| <b>2c. Faculty</b>          |
| Faculty of Business and Law |

  

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| <b>3a. Level</b> |
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| <b>3b. Module Type</b>                |
| Project or dissertation (fine graded) |

  

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| <b>4a. Credits</b> |
| 60                 |

  

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| <b>4b. Study Hours</b> |
| 600                    |

| 5. Restrictions                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |             |           |
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| Type                                               | Module Code                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Module Name | Condition |
| Pre-requisites:                                    | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |             |           |
| Co-requisites:                                     | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |             |           |
| Exclusions:                                        | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |             |           |
| <b>Courses to which this module is restricted:</b> | MSc Supply Chain Management, MSc Supply Chain Management (with Professional Experience) MSc International Logistics & Supply Chain Management, MSc International Logistics & Supply Chain Management (with professional experience) |             |           |

## LEARNING, TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

| 6a. Module Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <p>This major project module allows students to engage in a substantial piece of secondary research focussed on a topic relevant to their business degree award and specialist subject area under the supervision and guidance of a member of academic staff. This module requires students to develop their chosen topic into a specific project under the guidance of their supervisor. Supervisors will discuss with students contemporary research problems and issues based on their research and practice, and students will be required to conduct literature reviews, evaluate and critically appraise a range of information, investigate and adopt suitable theoretical frameworks, research methodologies and methods, and process and analyse data to produce a coherent and justified solution to the problem(s) identified. Throughout the module your supervisor will support you in terms of content and skills development so that you can work semi-autonomously on your individual research project. This is achieved through regular supervisory meetings throughout the year, which will allow for individual discussion of the tasks that will have to be completed in order to develop the project smoothly.</p> <p>You will receive formative and constructive feedback from your supervisor in order progress your research to a conclusion. Attendance at meetings and engagement with the proposed tasks are essential to successful completion of the project.</p> |
| 6b. Outline Content                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contemporary Issues in Business Research</li> <li>• Research Questions</li> <li>• Aims and Objectives</li> <li>• Conducting Literature Review</li> <li>• Research Methods</li> <li>• Data Gathering and Analysis</li> <li>• Presentation of Findings</li> <li>• Specific Content – depending on nature of research</li> <li>• Writing and dissemination of research</li> <li>• Assessment guidance</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 6c. Key Texts/Literature                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <p>The reading list to support this module is available at: <a href="https://readinglists.aru.ac.uk/">https://readinglists.aru.ac.uk/</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

**6d. Specialist Learning Resources**

Bloomberg, AnyLogistix, Mintel, Passport, IBIS World, Gale Business Insights, Nvivo, VosViewer

**7. Learning Outcomes (threshold standards)**

| No. | Type                                                        | On successful completion of this module the student will be expected to be able to:                                                    |
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| 1   | Knowledge and Understanding                                 | Define the scope of an appropriate area for structured desk-based investigation/design/development                                     |
| 2   | Knowledge and Understanding                                 | Collect, organise, and interpret information from a variety of appropriate resources.                                                  |
| 3   | Knowledge and Understanding                                 | Identify, select and justify the use of appropriate techniques, methods and development strategies.                                    |
| 4   | Intellectual, practical, affective and transferrable skills | Undertake a systematic analysis of quantitative and/or qualitative information and present results in a structured format.             |
| 5   | Intellectual, practical, affective and transferrable skills | Critically evaluate evidence to justify and support conclusions/ recommendations                                                       |
| 6   | Intellectual, practical, affective and transferrable skills | Communicate effectively in a form appropriate to the chosen topic and audience, and present detailed, coherent and persuasive outputs. |

**8a. Module Occurrence to which this MDF Refers**

| Year   | Occurrence | Period                                      | Location | Mode of Delivery |
|--------|------------|---------------------------------------------|----------|------------------|
| 2026/7 | ZZF        | Template For Face To Face Learning Delivery |          | Face to Face     |

| 8b. Learning Activities for the above Module Occurrence |       |                   |                                                                                |
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| Learning Activities                                     | Hours | Learning Outcomes | Details of Duration, frequency and other comments                              |
| Lectures                                                | 24    | 1-6               | 3 day block teaching in Week 1                                                 |
| Other teacher managed learning                          | 6     | 1-6               | A minimum of 6 hours of group workshop supervision and individual supervision. |
| Student managed learning                                | 570   | 1-6               | As directed by supervisors and/or course group/course module guides            |
| TOTAL:                                                  | 600   |                   |                                                                                |

| 9. Assessment for the above Module Occurrence |                   |                   |               |                         |                     |
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| Assessment No.                                | Assessment Method | Learning Outcomes | Weighting (%) | Fine Grade or Pass/Fail | Qualifying Mark (%) |
| 010                                           | Coursework        | 1-6               | 100 (%)       | Fine Grade              | 40 (%)              |
| Individual Research Project 10000 words       |                   |                   |               |                         |                     |

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| <p>In order to pass this module, students are required to achieve an overall mark of 40% (for modules at levels 3, 4, 5 and 6) or 50% (for modules at level 7*).</p> <p>In addition, students are required to:</p> <p>(a) achieve the qualifying mark for each element of fine graded assessment as specified above</p> <p>(b) pass any pass/fail elements</p> <p>[* the pass mark of 50% applies for all module occurrences from the academic year 2024/25 – see Section 3a of this MDF to check the level of the module and Section 8a of this MDF to check the academic year]</p> |
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