APPROVED

RESA B8Z02: Research Paper

Module Details

Module Code:	RESA B8Z02
Full Title:	Research Paper APPROVED
Valid From::	Semester 1 - 2009/10 (September 2009)
Language of Instruction:	English
Duration:	2 Semesters
Credits::	10
Module Owner::	Brianain Erraught
Departments:	Unknown
Module Description:	The aim of this module is to provide the learner with the skills, knowledge and competencies to present a coherent piece of original research. The research paper will examine the student's ability to identify an original research topic, to structure a research investigation, to undertake both primary and secondary research, and to produce a competent, coherent paper.

Module Learning Outcome	
On successful completion of this module the learner will be able to:	
#	**Module Learning Outcome Description**
MLO1	Investigate and choose a specific research topic related to the programme of study
MLO2	Complete a literature review on your chosen topic
MLO3	Prepare a research proposal and plan for your research paper including ethical consderations
MLO4	Conduct primary and secondary research and critique and analyse the data
MLO5	Compile a comprehensive research paper.

Pre-requisite learning
Module Recommendations *This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is strongly recommended before enrolment in this module. You may enrol in this module if you have not acquired the recommended learning but you will have considerable difficulty in passing (i.e. achieving the learning outcomes of) the module. While the prior learning is expressed as named DkIT module(s) it also allows for learning (in another module or modules) which is equivalent to the learning specified in the named module(s).*
No recommendations listed

Module Indicative Content
Research Proposal Structure of proposal, research topics, selecting a topic, aims and rationale,
Literature Review Sourcing literature,Use books, research articles and other resources,referencing, analysing and reviewing literature
Methodology Research aims, research questions and the methodology, data gathering tools, data analysis, ethical issues, limitations of research. Qualitative and Quantitative research
Interpretation and Presentation Critical evaluation, reliabilty, validity, Structure, chapters, paragraphs etc

Module Assessment

Assessment Breakdown	%
Course Work	100.00%

Module Special Regulation

Assessments

Full Time On Campus

Course Work

Assessment Type	Other	**% of Total Mark**	15
Marks Out Of	100	**Pass Mark**	0
Timing	Sem 1 End	**Learning Outcome**	
Duration in minutes	0		

Assessment Description
Research Proposal. Students will submit a research proposal to include and Literature Review and Critique

Assessment Type	Other	**% of Total Mark**	85
Marks Out Of	100	**Pass Mark**	0
Timing	Sem 2 End	**Learning Outcome**	
Duration in minutes	0		

Assessment Description
Research Paper. Students will submit a completed research paper including Abstract 3% Introduction 5% Literature Review and Critique 15% , Research Methodology 15%, Presentation & Analysis 30% Conclusion & Recommendations 10% Presentation of Document 7%

No Project

No Practical

No Final Examination

Reassessment Requirement
No repeat examination *Reassessment of this module will be offered solely on the basis of coursework and a repeat examination will not be offered.*

Module Workload

Workload: Full Time On Campus					
Workload Type	*Contact Type*	*Workload Description*	*Frequency*	*Average Weekly Learner Workload*	*Hours*
Lecture	Contact	To cover theoretical aspects of primary and secondary research	Every Week	2.00	2
Tutorial	Contact	Individual meetings with supervisor to work on reserach topic	Every Week	1.00	1
Independent Study	Non Contact	To work on own research topic	Every Week	6.00	6
Directed Reading	Non Contact	Backround reading to complete literature review on chosen topic	Every Week	6.00	6
				Total Weekly Learner Workload	15.00
				Total Weekly Contact Hours	3.00

Workload: Part Time On Campus					
Workload Type	*Contact Type*	*Workload Description*	*Frequency*	*Average Weekly Learner Workload*	*Hours*
Lecture	Contact	Lecture To cover theoretical aspects of primary and secondary research	Every Week	2.00	2
Lecture	Contact	Individual meetings with supervisor to work on reserach topic	Every Week	1.00	1
Independent Study	Non Contact	To work on own research topic	Every Week	6.00	6
Independent Study	Non Contact	Backround reading to complete literature review on chosen topic	Every Week	6.00	6
				Total Weekly Learner Workload	15.00
				Total Weekly Contact Hours	3.00

Module Resources

Recommended Book Resources

Creswell, J.W.. (2002), Research Design:Qualitative and Quantitative and MIxed approaches, 2nd. Sage Publications Inc, London and New Delhi.

Denscomber, M. (2003), The Good Research Guide for Small Scale Social Research Projects, 2nd. Open University Press, Maidenhead.

This module does not have any article/paper resources

This module does not have any other resources