

Module specification

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Module Code	BUS5C2
Module Title	Work Placement
Level	Level 5
Credit value	60
Faculty	Wrexham Business School
HECoS Code	101277
Cost Code	GABP
Pre-requisite module	N/A

Programmes in which module to be offered

Programme title	Core/Optional/Standalone
BSc (Hons) Business Management	Optional
BSc (Hons) Business Management with Foundation Year	Optional

Breakdown of module hours

Learning and teaching hours	12 hrs
Placement tutor support hours	3 hrs
Supervised learning hours e.g. practical classes, workshops	0 hrs
Project supervision hours	0 hrs
Active learning and teaching hours total	15 hrs
Placement hours	240 hrs
Guided independent study hours	345 hrs
Module duration (Total hours)	600 hrs

Module aims

The module aims to provide students with the opportunity to gain valuable experience in the workplace, specifically related to the student's specialism, via first-hand experience. This module allows students to undertake a sustained period, embedded with a host employer, to work on one or more defined projects or goals.

The student will be expected to find and secure a suitable placement opportunity in collaboration with the Business School.

Module Learning Outcomes

At the end of this module, students will be able to:

1	Devise a plan of work in response to a recognised need in a working environment.
2	Recognise and identify the role that a business professional can play in a defined project, or projects, in terms of their technical and professional skills.
3	Apply business specific skills and knowledge to a defined project, or projects, in a working environment either as an individual or in a team.

Assessment

Indicative Assessment Tasks:

This section outlines the type of assessment task the student will be expected to complete as part of the module. More details will be made available in the relevant academic year module handbook.

Assessment 1:

The assessment for this module will be a portfolio. The portfolio has 3 parts. Students will prepare a work placement plan in Part 1 of the portfolio (1000 words). Part 2 will be a journal documenting the work placement and Part 3 will be a self-reflective report on their work placement journey and the skills developed as part of the placement (2000 words).

Assessment number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Duration/Word Count	Weighting (%)	Alternative assessment, if applicable
1	1, 2, 3	Portfolio	3,000	100%	N/A

Derogations

None

Learning and Teaching Strategies

The overall learning and teaching strategy is based upon the key principle that students are encouraged to participate in higher education when they are exposed to flexible ways of learning that engage them using innovative and creative pedagogical approaches. To this end Work Placement applies the University's Active Learning Framework (ALF) supporting accessible, and flexible learning.

Students choosing the Work Placement module will have access to multiple learning opportunities through industrial placements. They will have an assigned employee/manager from the organisation who will support, mentor and supervise them throughout the work placement. Students will complete an induction before starting their work placement which will explain relevant students' behaviour at workplace, policies and procedures.

Welsh Elements

Students have an option to submit the assessments and receive feedback for the module in Welsh. Case studies and contextualised Welsh examples will also be implemented within the module where possible

Indicative Syllabus Outline

The work placement will enable students to develop some of the following skills which are essential in organisations:

1. Communication
2. Decision making
3. Time Management
4. Project Management
5. Analytical
6. Digital (Microsoft 365, Google workspace etc)
7. Negotiation
8. Creativity and innovation
9. Teamwork
10. Problem-solving
11. Workplace awareness
12. Adaptability

Indicative Bibliography

Please note the essential reads and other indicative reading are subject to annual review and update.

Essential Reads:

Carter, J. (2021), *Work Placements, Internships & Applied Social Research*. UK: Sage

Other indicative reading:

Websites:

www.mckinsey.com

www.hbr.org

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