

Module Details			
Module Title	Research Project Preparation and Plan		
Module Code	BIS7022-B		
Academic Year	2024/5		
Credits	20		
School	School of Chemistry and Biosciences		
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 7		

Contact Hours				
Туре	Hours			
Directed Study	153			
Online Lecture (Synchronous)	4			
Seminars	12			
Practical Classes or Workshops	25			
Tutorials	6			

Availability				
Occurrence	Location / Period			
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 2			

Module Aims

To provide a comprehensive training that facilitates the preparation required to successfully execute and analyse quantitative research projects. To develop an ability to carry out a series of tasks required in planning, executing and disseminating the outcomes of research work.

Outline Syllabus

Students will undertake the necessary preparation associated with their Research Projects. This includes literature searching (and databases) required for establishing the rationale for the planning of the work necessary to achieve clearly defined objectives.

Students will also be trained in various aspects of data analysis.

Students will be guided to plan, organise and carry out research work independently and autonomously while working in scientific laboratories to perform research experiments.

A seminar series is included to expose students to a variety of research approaches and career paths.

Learning Outcomes				
Outcome Number	Description			
01	Evaluate the scientific literature and the general state of knowledge applicable to the selected research project.			
02	Exercise autonomous and independent learning.			
03	Understand qualitative and quantitative methods of data handling, analysis and presentation.			
04	Understand the ethical and safety issues associated with research procedures and outcomes.			
05	Demonstrate time management and organisation skills necessary for efficient and successful project management.			
06	Design and execute a research plan.			

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

This module will be taught by a series of lectures, seminars, tutorials and workshops.

There will be two principle assessments:

- (1) A 30 minute oral presentation (50%) outlining the research project plan, literature search strategy, data overview and Gantt chart relating to the research project plan.
- (2) A research portfolio consisting of three reports based on delivered workshops. Each lab report will either include:
- (2a) evidence of methodological understanding, data analysis and relevant biological (or chemical) interpretation; or (2b) A review of the primary workshop topic, discussion and associated literature.

Mode of Assessment					
Type Method		Description	Weighting		
Summative	Presentation	Presentation (30 Minutes)	50%		
Summative	Coursework - Portfolio/e-portfolio	Research preparation portfolio (3000 words)	50%		

Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html

Please note:

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