



Assessment Profile:

These modules could be assessed using various assessment methods which can include one/or a mix of the following types of assessment:

- a) 20% - Online discussion and/or online quiz
- b) 80% - Individual assignment
- (Or) c) 100%: Individual assignment

It is up to the lecturer's professional discretion to choose between the two assessment methods. This allows lecturers flexibility between the choice of both assessments to create a more conducive assessment depending on the group needs. The length of the assignment should be between 3,500 – 4,000 words.

Marking Criteria

The following criteria reflect the standards expected at postgraduate (MQF Level 7) level. All assessed work is marked by a faculty member and subject to internal moderation. Samples may also be reviewed by external examiners.

70% and above (Distinction)

Compelling evidence of:

- ✓ the ability to plan, organise, and execute an independent research project or coursework assignment
- ✓ critical evaluation and synthesis of literature and theory
- ✓ originality, creativity, and independence of thought
- ✓ critical evaluation of methodologies and the development of innovative approaches
- ✓ advanced analysis and synthesis of data and/or information
- ✓ excellent accuracy, technical competence, structure, and academic expression





60–69% (Merit)

Convincing evidence of:

- ✓ the ability to independently plan and execute a research project or assignment
- ✓ strong critical insight and analytical thinking
- ✓ systematic engagement with relevant literature
- ✓ appropriate methodology and accurate referencing
- ✓ effective analysis and synthesis of data and/or information
- ✓ a well-developed and logically structured argument

50–59% (Pass)

Evidence of:

- ✓ the ability to complete a structured research project or assignment
- ✓ sound understanding of key theoretical concepts
- ✓ engagement with relevant literature and correct referencing
- ✓ basic critical analysis and synthesis of data and/or information
- ✓ a coherent argument with appropriate introduction and conclusion

Below 50% (Fail)

Evidence of:

- ✓ limited ability to plan and execute a research project or assignment
- ✓ insufficient understanding of theory and literature
- ✓ weak or limited critical analysis
- ✓ incomplete or incorrect referencing