

<b>Module Details</b>	
<b>Module Title:</b>	Dissertation (MSc Finance)
<b>Module Code:</b>	MAL7502-E
<b>Academic Year:</b>	2019-20
<b>Credit Rating:</b>	60
<b>School:</b>	School of Management
<b>Subject Area:</b>	Management and Law
<b>FHEQ Level:</b>	FHEQ Level 7 (Masters)
<b>Pre-requisites:</b>	
<b>Co-requisites:</b>	

<b>Contact Hours</b>	
<b>Type</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Lectures	12
Tutorials	12
Directed Study	576

<b>Availability</b>	
<b>Occurrence</b>	<b>Location / Period</b>
BDB	University of Bradford / Non-Standard Academic Year (Jan - Sept)
BDA	University of Bradford / Non-Standard Academic Year (Jan - Sept)

<b>Module Aims</b>
To enable students to produce an original piece of research work related to the taught component of the programme that demonstrates a detailed knowledge and understanding of one or more areas of finance.

<b>Outline Syllabus</b>
Dependant on topic considered.

Learning Outcomes	
1	a) Define a focused research topic and specify research objectives and questions. b) Demonstrate an understanding of Research methods and the appropriate use of different research methodologies c) Develop a research framework and Model
2	a) Demonstrate skills in both qualitative and quantitative data collection and analysis techniques. b) Write a research proposal.
3	Have deepened their knowledge and understanding of a particular area of finance and understood how to undertake original research in this field
4	Demonstrate research skills in an area of finance. The subject specific skills acquired will depend on the topic of the dissertation.
5	Demonstrate skills in self-management and motivation. Have developed skills in one or more of the following areas: mathematics statistical analysis, computation, data cleaning and analysis, primary data collection. Have developed skills in synthesising an existing body of research. Have developed the ability to communicate research findings.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy
<p>This is the final element of the Master's degree and students determine the specific subject area of investment or financial management that they want to focus on for their dissertation/project, as such it furthers students' knowledge and skills in the subject areas that are chosen by the students. Lectures and seminars relating to research methods and skills are provided, including workshops to all students at the Faculty level as well as in the City campus. The LTA strategy is designed central to achieving an independent learning and an advanced knowledge and skills develop that is unique to each student of their aspiration. The trainings are provided by lectures and practical work, both individual and group. This addresses Learning Outcome of 1a, 1b &amp; 2a, 2b, 3, 4 and 5.</p> <p>A supervisor is allocated to each student who will mentor the students throughout the process of developing and completing their dissertation/project, supporting the independent study and learning of the student. As the project develops students will gain both summative and formative feedback from a member of academic staff/supervisor on their research proposal. Further formative feedback is provided while developing the research until completion of the dissertation.</p> <p>Research proposal of 3000 words which is also included in the dissertation as an appendix.</p> <p>Maximum 12,000 word dissertation including literature review, methodology, data description, analysis, results and conclusion; but excluding references and appendices. The dissertation will also include the original research proposal (as an appendix).</p>

Mode of Assessment				
Type	Method	Description	Length	Weighting
Referral	Dissertation or Project Report	Dissertation (12000 words plus Research Proposal)	12000 words	100%

Summative	Dissertation or Project Report	Maximum 12000 word dissertation	0-12000 words	80%
Summative	Coursework	Research proposal (3000 words)	3000 words	20%

### 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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