

Module Code	BSNF06
Version	1
Module Title	Foundation Year Project
Credits	20
Valid From	01/09/18 - 31/08/24
Status	Validated
Subject Board	BSN
Academic Level (FHEQ)	3
Study Period	B
Prerequisites and co-requisites	N/A
Associated programmes	BSc (Hons) Business with Foundation Year
Not available to students taking/having taken	N/A

Content (Indicative)

Production of a research project drawing upon any of the topics covered in the foundation year.

- What is research? What is a research question?
- Choosing a research question.
- The sections included in a research piece including literature review, methodology, analysis and conclusion.
- Producing a research project.

Teaching and Learning Experience

Lectures

Seminars

Hack-a-thon

1-2-1 tutorials

Guided Independent Study

Module Learning Outcomes (MLOs)

On successful completion of this module students will be able to:

1. Define research and give examples of research projects.
2. Explain why we conduct research and what value it has for society.
3. Identify a research question and provide a rationale for their choice.
4. Prepare a piece of research that contains a literature review, methodology, analysis and conclusion.

Assessment

Assessment task	Load (e.g. wordage)	Weighting (as a percentage)	Learning outcomes assessed
Research Proposal	up to 1,500 words (or equivalent)	30%	1, 2, 3
Dissertation	up to 3,500 words (or equivalent)	70%	4

Indicative reading

Books

- Cottrell, S. (2017) Critical Thinking Skills (Palgrave Study Skills), Palgrave: UK.
Cottrell, S. (2013) The Study Skills Handbook (Palgrave Study Skills), Palgrave: UK.
Wisker, G. (2009) The Undergraduate Research Handbook (Palgrave Study Skills), Palgrave:UK.
McFarlan, B. (2003) Drop the Pink Elephant, Capstone.
Williman, N. 2018 Research Methods: the basics 2nd Edition. Routledge, London.
Walliman, N. 2005 Your Research Project. 2nd Edition. Sage, London.

Journals

- Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice
International Journal of Entrepreneurial Behaviour and Research
Journal of Business Venturing
Journal of Small Business and Enterprise Development
Journal of Marketing
Journal of academic writing

Websites

- <https://www.academickills.marjon.ac.uk>
<https://he.palgrave.com/studentstudyskills>
<https://www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/finance-and-support/preparing-your-studies/study-skills-guides>