



Module Descriptor

Title	Responsible Ethical Management		
Session	2025/26	Status	Active
Code	BUSN10062	SCQF Level	10
Credit Points	20	ECTS (European Credit Transfer Scheme)	10
School	Business and Creative Industries		
Module Co-ordinator	M. Khan		

Summary of Module

This module develops the capability of students to be future generators of sustainable value for business and society at large and to work for an inclusive and sustainable global economy. During the course of this module, students will advance their understanding of the many ethical dilemmas, faced by managers, and dealing with ambiguity in organisational and industrial environments. Part of this, is understanding the myriad of leadership styles, which promote the positive leading of teams and ethical behaviour. This can be achieved through motivating and improving performance and supporting people through numerous coaching and mentoring approaches.

Students studying this module will improve their understanding of societal and organisational values, ethical issues, and the impact on managerial decision making, and will develop a critical perspective on the contested nature of the concepts covered within this module. Students will develop in depth understanding of the global impact of business and the importance of the creation of sustainable social, economic and environmental value.

Module Delivery Method	On-Campus¹ ☒	Hybrid² ☒	Online³ ☐	Work -Based Learning⁴ ☐
Campuses for Module Delivery	☐ Ayr ☐ Dumfries	☐ Lanarkshire ☐ London ☐ Paisley	☒ Online / Distance Learning ☒ Other (specify)	

¹ Where contact hours are synchronous/ live and take place fully on campus. Campus-based learning is focused on providing an interactive learning experience supported by a range of digitally-enabled asynchronous learning opportunities including learning materials, resources, and opportunities provided via the virtual learning environment. On-campus contact hours will be clearly articulated to students.

² The module includes a combination of synchronous/ live on-campus and online learning events. These will be supported by a range of digitally-enabled asynchronous learning opportunities including learning materials, resources, and opportunities provided via the virtual learning environment. On-campus and online contact hours will be clearly articulated to students.

³ Where all learning is solely delivered by web-based or internet-based technologies and the participants can engage in all learning activities through these means. All required contact hours will be clearly articulated to students.

⁴ Learning activities where the main location for the learning experience is in the workplace. All required contact hours, whether online or on campus, will be clearly articulated to students

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Terms for Module Delivery	Term 1	☒	Term 2	☐	Term 3	☐
Long-thin Delivery over more than one Term	Term 1 – Term 2	☐	Term 2 – Term 3	☐	Term 3 – Term 1	☐

Learning Outcomes	
L1	Demonstrate critical knowledge and understanding of sustainable business practices within a variety of relevant contexts.
L2	Apply and evaluate approaches to resolving ethical dilemmas within constrained organisational settings.
L3	Critically evaluate the concept of ethical business practice.
L4	
L5	

Employability Skills and Personal Development Planning (PDP) Skills	
SCQF Headings	During completion of this module, there will be an opportunity to achieve core skills in:
Knowledge and Understanding (K and U)	SCQF 10 In depth and critical understanding and knowledge of a range of concepts relating to sustainable and ethical business.
Practice: Applied Knowledge and Understanding	SCQF 10 Apply understanding of sustainable and ethic business practices to a variety of organisational settings. Evaluate the impact of sustainable business practice on organisational outcomes.
Generic Cognitive skills	SCQF 10 Analyse, evaluate and synthesize complex organisational performance measures in relation to sustainable business practices. Critically evaluate varying approaches to responsible and ethical management of organisations.
Communication, ICT and Numeracy Skills	SCQF 10 Use a variety of verbal, written and visual communication techniques to present complex data relating to a range of audiences.
Autonomy, Accountability and Working with Others	SCQF 10 Work autonomously and uses initiative in working with others. Use a range of resources in exercising autonomy and working with others.

Prerequisites	Module Code	Module Title
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	Other	
Co-requisites	Module Code	Module Title

Learning and Teaching	
In line with current learning and teaching principles, a 20-credit module includes 200 learning hours, normally including a minimum of 36 contact hours and maximum of 48 contact hours. Please note: Students on a Graduate Apprentice programme will undertake the following teaching, 9 weeks of 2-hour lecture/Core content delivery online sessions and 3 weeks of 3 hour on-campus workshops (dates for on-campus sessions to be confirmed each term)	
Learning Activities	Student Learning Hours
During completion of this module, the learning activities undertaken to achieve the module learning outcomes are stated below:	(Note: Learning hours include both contact hours and hours spent on other learning activities)
Lecture / Core Content Delivery	24
Tutorial / Synchronous Support Activity	12
Asynchronous Class Activity	12
Independent Study	152
Please select	
Please select	
TOTAL	200

Indicative Resources
The following materials form essential underpinning for the module content and ultimately for the learning outcomes: Crane, A., Matten, D., Glozer, S. and Spence, L.J., 2019. Business ethics: Managing corporate citizenship and sustainability in the age of globalization. Oxford University Press, USA.
(N.B. Although reading lists should include current publications, students are advised (particularly for material marked with an asterisk*) to wait until the start of session for confirmation of the most up-to-date material)

Attendance and Engagement Requirements
In line with the Student Attendance and Engagement Procedure, Students are academically engaged if they are regularly attending and participating in timetabled on-campus and online teaching sessions, asynchronous online learning activities, course-related learning resources, and complete assessments and submit these on time. For the purposes of this module, academic engagement equates to the following:

Equality and Diversity

The University's Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Procedure can be accessed at the following link: [UWS Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Code](#).

(N.B. Every effort will be made by the University to accommodate any equality and diversity issues brought to the attention of the School)

Supplemental Information

Divisional Programme Board	Management, Organisations People
Overall Assessment Results	☐ Pass / Fail ☒ Graded
Module Eligible for Compensation	☐ Yes ☒ No If this module is eligible for compensation, there may be cases where compensation is not permitted due to programme accreditation requirements. Please check the associated programme specification for details.
School Assessment Board	SAB
Moderator	Alan Murray
External Examiner	Peter Robertson
Accreditation Details	
Module Appears in CPD catalogue	☐ Yes ☒ No
Changes / Version Number	2

Assessment (also refer to Assessment Outcomes Grids below)

Assessment 1

Presentation - A presentation will account for 30% of the marks for this module

Assessment 2

Essay - A written assessment will account for 70% of the marks for this module

Assessment 3

(N.B. (i) Assessment Outcomes Grids for the module (one for each component) can be found below which clearly demonstrate how the learning outcomes of the module will be assessed.

(ii) An indicative schedule listing approximate times within the academic calendar when assessment is likely to feature will be provided within the Student Module Handbook.)

Component 1

Assessment Type	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO4	LO5	Weighting of Assessment Element (%)	Timetabled Contact Hours
Presentation	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐	30	

Component 2

Assessment Type	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO4	LO5	Weighting of Assessment Element (%)	Timetabled Contact Hours
Essay	☒	☒	☒	☐	☐	70	

Component 3							
Assessment Type	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO4	LO5	Weighting of Assessment Element (%)	Timetabled Contact Hours
	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐		
Combined total for all components						100%	hours

Change Control

What	When	Who
Updated MD using the latest template of module descriptor. Added Lanarkshire campus for GA Business and Project management group.	13/03/2025	M. Khan
Removed word "group" from the assessment 1	13/03/2025	M. Khan