

## **Module Descriptor**

Title	Cultural Studies For Learners Of English 2			
Session	2025/26	Status		
Code	LING09019	SCQF Level	9	
Credit Points	20	ECTS (European Credit Transfer Scheme)	10	
School	Education and Social Sciences			
Module Co-ordinator	F Leon Solis			

## **Summary of Module**

This module is aimed at learners with a post-intermediate knowledge of English who would like to widen their knowledge, and deepen their understanding, of the culture in which the English language is used. It is a core module for students on BA English Language. This module will enhance students' ability to express complex concepts in English competently and confidently while further developing learner autonomy and initiative. In this intensive module the students will consolidate their understanding of cultural issues while extending the skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing in a range of contexts.

Throughout the course, knowledge and understanding of the cultural aspects of the English language are consolidated or refreshed. An understanding of relationships between language and culture, will be developed through presentations, role plays, pair and group work exercises, written assignments and other interactive activities whose content will include topical cultural issues; in addition, work-related and workplace opportunities will be explored, where appropriate, to enable learners to develop global citizenship skills, foster inclusivity and an appreciation of the wellbeing of others in order to enable them to be ready for work in local and global contexts.

Module Delivery Method	On-Campus¹ ⊠		Hybrid <sup>2</sup>	Online	e <sup>3</sup>	Work -Based Learning⁴
Campuses for Module Delivery	Ayr Dumfries		Lanarks London	hire	O Learr	nline / Distance ning

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 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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Term Deliv	ns for Module very	Term 1		Term 2		Term 3	
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Lear	ning Outcomes						
L1	Prepare and delive subsequent discus	•		on aspects	of culture, a	and respond	to
L2	Respond critically of the English- spe	=	written or s	poken inforn	nation perta	aining to the	cultures
L3	Write in detail, in E	nglish, abou	ut aspects o	of English-sp	eaking cult	ure using ma	ainly

accurate, wide-ranging and effective grammar and vocabulary appropriate to this level

L4 L5

Employability Skill	s 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	SCQF 9
Understanding (K and U)	Understanding complex aspects of the culture and society of English-speaking countries. Demonstrating detailed understanding of grammatical, lexical and phonological features of the language.
Practice: Applied	SCQF9
Knowledge and Understanding	Engaging in oral discussion of complex aspects of the culture and society of English-speaking countries. Applying knowledge of grammar and language features to demonstrate competence in receptive and productive skills. Understanding written, spoken and multimedia texts intended for native speakers.
Generic	SCQF9
Cognitive skills	Extracting, appraising and analysing key information to show understanding of, and critically assess, spoken and written sources. Structuring concepts and ideas to produce effective written papers and oral presentations.
Communication,	SCQF9
ICT and Numeracy Skills	Making effective and consistent use of library resources, electronic media, VLE to inform and organise studying and using ICT applications for oral presentations. Displaying confident and accurate oral presentation skills in relation to specific tasks.
Autonomy,	SCQF 9
Accountability and Working with Others	Demonstrating effective study techniques and organisational skills to develop knowledge and complete papers, presentations and projects within deadlines. Working cooperatively and accountably with other

learners inside and outside class. Exercising autonomy and initiative in
learning.

Prerequisites	Module Code	Module Title			
	Other CEFR B2 or equivalent				
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.

This module is delivered in a blended format via interactive and communicative classes. Students will be active participants in class and will work in pairs and /or groups to discuss, analyse and assess course material. Independent learning is an integral part of this course and students will be given written and oral tasks to be completed outside class in preparation for, and consolidation of, classroom work. Students will develop critical thinking and research skills to enhance their current studies and future careers.

Learning Activities  During completion of this module, the learning activities undertaken	Student Learning Hours
to achieve the module learning outcomes are stated below:	(Note: Learning hours include both contact hours and hours spent on other learning activities)
Tutorial / Synchronous Support Activity	36
Independent Study	164
n/a	
n/a	
n/a	
n/a	
TOTAL	200

## **Indicative Resources**

The following materials form essential underpinning for the module content and ultimately for the learning outcomes:

In-house authentic learning materials to be made available on VLE and in class\* E-learning materials valid at time of delivery \*

(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 <u>Student Attendance and Engagement Procedure</u>, 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:

All fulltime students are required to attend all scheduled classes and participate with all delivered elements of the module as part of their engagement with their programme of study. Consideration will be given to students who have protection under the appropriate equality law. Please refer to UWS Regulations, Chapter 1, 1.64 – 1.67

### **Equality and Diversity**

The University's Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Procedure can be accessed at the following link: <u>UWS Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Code.</u>

This module forms part of the BA English Language degree. The cohort is a diverse, international group with various language repertoires. Students will be encouraged to share and respectfully respond to their various experiences of language diversity, relating this to critical discussions of social issues where appropriate. Equality and diversity are key tenets of the perspective adopted through the module.

(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	Education
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	Languages
Moderator	L Holmes
External Examiner	V McDonagh
Accreditation Details	
Module Appears in CPD catalogue	∑ Yes ☐ No
Changes / Version Number	1

Assessment (also refer to Assessment Outcomes Grids below)				
Assessment 1				
Presentation 50%				
Assessment 2				
Essay 50%				
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.

Component 1								
Assessment Type	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO4	LO5	Weighting o Assessmen Element (%)	Contact	
Presentation						50	3	
Component 2								
Assessment Type	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO4	LO5	Weighting o Assessmen Element (%)	Contact	
Essay						50	0	
Component 3 Assessment Type	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO4	LO5	Weighting o		
						Assessment (%)		
	Com	bined to	otal for a	all comp	onents	100%	3 hours	
Change Control What				Wr	nen	Who		
Transferred to new template				Oc	Oct 24		F Leon Solis	