



Module Descriptor

Title	Introduction to Operating Department Practice		
Session	2024/25	Status	Active
Code	NURS07047	SCQF Level	7
Credit Points	20	ECTS (European Credit Transfer Scheme)	10
School	Health and Life Sciences		
Module Co-ordinator	K Porteous		

Summary of Module

This theory-based module aims to enable the apprentice to recognise and understand the role and responsibilities of the Operating Department Practitioner in relation to caring for individuals with a person-centred approach within a multidisciplinary perioperative environment. Apprentices will consider their role in assisting and supporting the multidisciplinary team to provide high quality, evidence-based care.

During this module apprentices will explore their values and how these relate to the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) (2023) Standards and Proficiencies for Operating Department Practitioners and HCPC (2024) Standards of Conduct, Performance and Ethics. They will develop an understanding of the legal, professional and ethical frameworks upon which practice is based. Apprentices will have the opportunity to explore the role of the Operating Department Practitioners in the delivery of patient-centred care.

This module provides an introduction to research, with a focus on how evidence-based practice can support patient safety. Apprentice's will consider the relationship between effective inter-personal communication and the provision of quality care.

The graduate attributes gained include becoming knowledgeable and ethically minded.

Module Delivery Method	On-Campus ¹	Hybrid ²	Online ³	Work -Based Learning ⁴
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Campuses for Module Delivery	<input type="checkbox"/> Ayr		<input type="checkbox"/> Lanarkshire		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online / Distance Learning	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Dumfries		<input type="checkbox"/> London		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	
Terms for Module Delivery	Term 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Term 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Term 3	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Long-thin Delivery over more than one Term	Term 1 – Term 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Term 2 – Term 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	Term 3 – Term 1

Learning Outcomes	
L1	Recognises the legal, ethical, professional and personal frameworks which are relevant to Operating Department Practice profession.
L2	Describes appropriate communication skills to promote effective perioperative care.
L3	Demonstrates understanding and critical evaluation of the role of reflection on and in practice, to appraise and evaluate effectiveness of care in a multidisciplinary care approach.
L4	Develop awareness in evaluating research and other evidence to inform practice.
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 7 Knowledge and understanding of principles and theories that support professional Operating Department Practice to support patient care in a variety of perioperative settings.
Practice: Applied Knowledge and Understanding	SCQF 7 Demonstrate an understanding of the professional context and role requirements in which Operating Department Practice is delivered.
Generic Cognitive skills	SCQF 7 Application of knowledge of standards relevant to Operating Department Practitioners.
Communication, ICT and Numeracy Skills	SCQF 7 Engaging with a range of technologies to enhance independent learning. Developing a range of communication and interpersonal skills to support the delivery of compassionate and safe care. Using the developing knowledge and understanding of advocacy within care delivery.
Autonomy, Accountability and Working with Others	SCQF 7 Evaluate the role of reflection to evaluate one's own limitation, personal values and beliefs in relation to professional practice. Recognise professional and ethical issues arising from module content.

Prerequisites	Module Code	Module Title
	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.	
Learning Activities During completion of this module, the learning activities undertaken to achieve the module learning outcomes are stated below:	Student Learning Hours (Note: Learning hours include both contact hours and hours spent on other learning activities)
Tutorial / Synchronous Support Activity	10
Asynchronous Class Activity	20
Personal Development Plan	6
Independent Study	164
Please select	
Please select	
TOTAL	200

Indicative Resources
<p>The following materials form essential underpinning for the module content and ultimately for the learning outcomes:</p> <p>The following materials form essential underpinning for the module content and ultimately for the learning outcomes:</p> <p>Abbott, H. and Booth, H. (2024) Foundations for Operating Department Practice: Essential Theory for Practice. 2nd edn. Berkshire, England: Open University Press. https://uws-uk.userservices.exlibrisgroup.com/view/action/uresolver.do?operation=resolveService&package_service_id=17086149790003931&institutionId=3931&customerId=3930 (Accessed: 3 April 2024).</p> <p>Bassot, B. (2015) The reflective practice guide: an interdisciplinary approach to critical reflection. New York, NY: Routledge. Available at: https://uws-uk.userservices.exlibrisgroup.com/view/action/uresolver.do;jsessionid=B82D9DE5BC262090DC91BB236887AA17.app03.eu01.prod.alma.dc03.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com:1801?operation=resolveService&package_service_id=17086149910003931&institutionId=3931&customerId=3930 (Accessed: 3 April 2024).</p> <p>Bougeard, A.M. and Watkins, B. (2019) 'Transitions of care in the perioperative period - a review', <i>Clinical Medicine</i>, 19(6), pp. 446-449. Available at: https://doi.org/10.7861%2Fclinmed.2019.0235 (Accessed: 3 April 2024).</p> <p>Coward, M. (2018a) 'Encouraging reflection in professional learning', <i>Nursing Management</i>, 25(2), pp. 39-42. Available at: https://www.doi.org/10.7748/nm.2018.e1732 (Accessed: 3 April 2024).</p>

Coward, M. (2018b) 'Reflection and personal learning', *Nursing Management*, 25(3), pp. 38-41. Available at: <https://www.doi.org/10.7748/nm.2018.e1752> (Accessed: 3 April 2024).

Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) (2023) *Standards of Proficiency for Operating Department Practitioners*. Available at: <https://www.hcpc-uk.org/globalassets/resources/standards/standards-of-proficiency---operating-department-practitioners.pdf> (Accessed: 3 April 2024).

Hughes, S.J. (ed.) (2023) *Oxford Handbook of Perioperative Practice*. 2nd edn. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Kenawy, D. and Schwartz, D. (2018) 'An evaluation of perioperative communication in the operating room', *Journal of Perioperative Practice*, 28(10), pp. 267-272. Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1177/1750458918780154> (Accessed: 3 April 2024).

Pears, R. and Shields, G. (2019) *Cite them right: The essential referencing guide*. 11th edn. London, England: Red Globe Press. Available at: https://uws-uk.userservices.exlibrisgroup.com/view/action/uresolver.do?operation=resolveService&package_service_id=17086149770003931&institutionId=3931&customerId=3930 (Accessed: 3 April 2024).

Wilson, R. (2012) 'Legal, Ethical and Professional Concepts within the Operating Department', *Journal of Perioperative Practice*, 22(3), pp. 81-85. Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1177/175045891202200301> (Accessed; 3 April 2024).

(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:

Apprentice's will engage with the module by attending all scheduled synchronous tutorials and participating with all delivered elements of their programme of study. Students must also attend their work-based placement, in line with the requirements of their NHS Employer.

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](#).

In line with current legislation (Equality Act, 2010) and the UWS Equality, Diversity, and Human Rights Code (UWS Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Code.), our modules are accessible and inclusive, with reasonable adjustment for different needs where appropriate. To promote inclusive practice, procedures and processes have been subject to Equality Impact Assessment where appropriate. In line with the Equality Act 2010 and UWS Refreshed Equality Outcomes 2021 - 2025 Public Sector Equality Duty Mainstreaming and Equality Outcomes Report 2021 (uws.ac.uk) (pp. 37 - 39) the School of Health and Life Sciences encourages the disclosure of support requirements, including disability, at the recruitment stage and throughout the duration of the module. Emphasis is placed on confidentiality of information the benefits of disclosure and that no detriment to progress will be experienced. The School will endeavour to make reasonable adjustments to teaching and learning approaches and arrangements for assessment, and (when applicable) periods of placement, where appropriate.

All learning materials, activities and scenarios will utilise a diverse range of patients to reflect the diversity of students.

Professional programmes have Standards of Proficiency which detail the knowledge, skills and understanding required to be met to permit professional registration to be able to practise safely and effectively in the profession. As an education provider for this professional programme, UWS is not able to adjust these standards. However, we can make reasonable adjustments to assist students in meeting these standards.

(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	Adult Nursing Community Health
Overall Assessment Results	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass / Fail <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Graded
Module Eligible for Compensation	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	Nursing & ODP Programmes
Moderator	TBC
External Examiner	TBC
Accreditation Details	Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC)
Module Appears in CPD catalogue	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Changes / Version Number	1

Assessment (also refer to Assessment Outcomes Grids below)

Assessment 1

Summative Assessment - 2,500 word written essay.

Apprentice will be required to submit an essay which draws upon credible and relevant evidence to succinctly describe the role of the Operating Department Practitioner in maintaining safety during perioperative care in alignment with HCPC (2023) Standards of Proficiency for Operating Department Practitioners. 100% weighting.

Minimum pass mark: 40%. 100% weighting.

Assessment 2

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
Essay	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	100	0

Component 2							
Assessment Type	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO4	LO5	Weighting of Assessment Element (%)	Timetabled Contact Hours
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Component 3							
Assessment Type	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO4	LO5	Weighting of Assessment Element (%)	Timetabled Contact Hours
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Combined total for all components						100%	0 hours

Change Control

What	When	Who