Liverpool John Moores University

Title:	Research Project - Market Report
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Academic Level:	FHEQ6	Credit Value:	24.00	Total Delivered Hours:	14.00
Total Learning Hours:	240	Private Study:	226		

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	4.000
Seminar	4.000
Tutorial	6.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Report	AS1	Written Report	100.0	

Aims

1: To develop skills in applied market research, writing and data interpretation.

2: To develop a thorough, complete and professional approach to report production.

3: To enhance students appreciation of the connections between market contexts

and product design. 4: To develop a methodological approach to individual project management.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 1: Critically evaluate the appropriateness of various information sources including the use of primary and secondary data.
- 2 2: Produce a business-orientated piece of applied market research to normal production standards.
- 3 3: Demonstrate the ability to critically evaluate the relationship of product placement, packaging, promotion, price and place within a commercial market context.
- 4 4: Determine own learning and liaise appropriately with staff within given deadlines

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

Report 1 2 3 4

Outline Syllabus

- Report Writing
- Research Methods
- Business Planning
- Project Management
- New Product / Brand / Corporate Identity Development
- Case Studies
- Industry practice
- Entrepreneurialism
- Business Strategy and Design
- Visual / Experiential Analysis of Products, Environments & Communication (including Advertising)
- Marketing, Consumer Behaviour, International Marketing etc.

Learning Activities

The module will be delivered in stages aligned to the production of the final report. Introductory weekly lectures and seminar discussions will engage students in the core areas of the report's content as outlined above in the notes section, individual one to one tutorials will then focus on the development of each students report document – interspersed with group seminar sessions located at key stages within the module timetable. An individual research plan will be written, relating to each student's major project product/product family. Scheduled draft submissions provide the opportunity for formative feedback to be ongoing throughout the process, delivered via the individual tutorial sessions.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Fairbairn, G.J. and Winch, C.
Publishing Year	1996
Title	Reading, Writing and Reasoning
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Open University Press, Oxford
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Freeman, R.
Publishing Year	1993
Title	How to Study Effectively
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Collins Educational,
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Lewis, R.
Publishing Year	1994
Title	How to Manage Your Study Time
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Cambridge Press, Cambridge
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Trzeciak, J.
Publishing Year	1995
Title	Study Skills for Academic Writing
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Phoenix ELT, Hemel Hempstead
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Lidwell, W.
Publishing Year	2008
Title	Deconstructing Product Design
Subtitle	

Edition	
Publisher	Rockport Publishers, Massachuesetts
ISBN	

Course Material	Journal / Article
Author	
Publishing Year	
Title	Design Week
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	
ISBN	

Course Material	Journal / Article
Author	
Publishing Year	
Title	Blueprint
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	
ISBN	

Course Material	Journal / Article
Author	
Publishing Year	
Title	Innovation
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	
ISBN	

Course Material	Journal / Article
Author	
Publishing Year	
Title	New Design
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	
ISBN	

Notes

This module will adopt a flexible student centred approach to its delivery and compilation of the final report document. The report will be closely aligned with each individual student's major project, running concurrently alongside the major project module. The report offers each student the opportunity to produce a document of

professional quality in its appearance and content that will be suitable for a business context, paying particular attention to the evaluation and communication of Product Lifecycle, Market context, Branding, Sales, Packaging, Distribution and Promotion.

The report will be written using the plain English campaign guidelines.