## **Liverpool** John Moores University

Title: VALUE ENGINEERING

Status: Definitive

Code: **6144UG** (102667)

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Owning School/Faculty: Built Environment Teaching School/Faculty: Built Environment

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ6 Value: 12.00 Delivered 57.00

63

**Hours:** 

Total Private Learning 120 Study:

**Hours:** 

**Delivery Options** 

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	42.000
Tutorial	12.000

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

#### **Assessment Details**

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Exam	AS1	Choice of questions	50.0	3.00
Report	AS2	Assignment	50.0	

## Aims

To develop a detailed understanding of the principles and practices of value engineering and its particular application to building services installations in a wide range of public sector, commercial or industrial buildings.

To provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary for them to assess the suitability of real world building services design scenarios for practical value engineering applications. These will typically encompass large scale: Heating, Ventilation, Air conditioning and refrigeration design proposals for commercial and industrial schemes.

# **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically analyse the requirements of the FAST functional model in relation to: planning, organisation and the decision making processes involved in value engineering.
- Evaluate the requirements and methodology of various financial modelling techniques including: NPV, (Net Present Value); IRR, (Internal Rate of Return); ROI (Return on Investment) and whole-life costing models to describe the financial implications of VE outcomes.
- 3 Undertake complex service life predictions of individual components and performance audits and reviews concerned with ensuring the effective implementation of service life planning.
- 4 Conduct complex capital investment risk management appraisals.
- Critically examine sensitivity testing to assess the degree of risk of investment proposals and to be able to know when, and when not to apply the Value Engineering technique.

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

EXAM	1	2	3	
REPORT	1	3	4	5

## **Outline Syllabus**

## Function Analysis:

Basics of function modelling with FAST; dimensioning techniques used to give the Functional Analysis Systems Techniques model greater meaning; FAST applications supported by business case studies including; Soft and Hard Process Analysis, Planning, Organization Effectiveness, Supply Chain models, Business System Reengineering, Advanced Product Development, Project Management and Decision Analysis and others.

Life Cycle costing:

General Principles - methodology for whole-life costing of buildings, and their installations.

Financial modelling:

How to deliver results senior management expect. Communicating the worth of ideas to senior management. NPV, (Net Present Value), IRR, (Internal Rate of Return), ROA, Hurdle Rate, to describe VE outcomes. Use of ROI (Return on Investment) model.

Service life prediction principles:

service life predictions of individual components.

Performance audits and reviews:

Effective implementation of service life planning as a basis for internal reviews or for

formal third-party audits and compliance monitoring

Risk Management:

Major categories of risk in capital investment appraisals: Uncertainty, Optimistic Bias, Variability.

Sensitivity Testing:

Assessing the degree of risk in investment proposals.

# **Learning Activities**

Lectures, tutorials, real world modelling scenarios and simulation.

# References

Course Material	Book
Author	Audit Commission
Publishing Year	1996
Title	Just Capital: Local Authority Management of Capital
	Projects
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	HMSO
ISBN	0118864351

Course Material	Book
Author	Best, R. & De Valence, G. (Eds.)
Publishing Year	1999
Title	Building in Value: Pre-Design Issues
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Arnold Design Publishers, London
ISBN	0340741600

Course Material	Book
Author	BRE
Publishing Year	1997
Title	Value from Construction: Getting Started in Value
	Management
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Building Research Establishment
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Connaught, J.N. & Green, S.D.
Publishing Year	1996

Title	Value Management in Construction: A Clients's Guide
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	CIRIA
ISBN	0860164522

Course Material	Book
Author	CVCP (now UUK)
Publishing Year	1996
Title	Procurement Guidelines for Higher Education: Building and
	Engineering Projects
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Universities UK
ISBN	0948890959

## **Notes**

This module is a key component for those students wishing to complete the programme following a building services pathway. It aims to develop the student from a basic awareness of the principles and processes of value engineering to an in-depth understanding of the procedures involved in life cycle costing, risk analysis and decision making for installations in commercial and industrial buildings. This prepares students in readiness for a methodical analytical approach to the more specialised aspects of building services and especially HVAC system selection and optimisation.