Module Guide

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Semester 1 modules	
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ICT003 Principles of ICT	This Principles of ICT module attempts to deliver an accurate snapshot of the state of ICT as it exists currently, as well as to equip the student with a useful set of skills in the use of common productivity software and Internet based applications. The module introduces candidates to the interesting challenges that ICT presents today and covers many anchor points that may serve as a bridge to their interests and lifestyles. These bridges include the technology in their mobile telephones, computing equipment, home appliances, motor vehicles, shopping, movies and entertainment software. Students shall obtain a good understanding of and ability to apply common applications (Ms Word, Excel and Power Point) to document creation, data collation and presentation whilst students will also be made aware of the benefits of using web based applications for information presentation and will be expected to use IT to communicate information effectively in a variety of forms. Students will learn to identify important considerations involved in the choice and maintenance of a computer system.
HUM102 Composition and Style	The Composition and Style module aims to provide students with a structured introduction to all aspects and stages of the academic writing process. It is designed to allow students the knowledge required for the preparation and completion of written assignments within University parameters. This includes research and note-taking; structuring work; drafting and redrafting; editing and proof-reading; achieving an effective academic style; referencing; writing effectively under exam conditions; using feedback on your written work and grammar and punctuation. In addition the module also provides a supportive academic and pastoral framework for students.
HUM109 Welfare Across the Globe	The aim of this module is to develop students' knowledge and understanding of the international character of welfare and welfare problems. It introduces students to how global processes can impact on human well-being, how international and national organisations respond to global welfare problems, and why international and comparative perspectives are valuable in the study of people's welfare.

Semester 2 modules	
HUM101 Mass Communication	This Mass Communications module aims to provide students with a structured introduction to the study of Humanities and related disciplines. It provides a variety of subjects and modes of study that enables understanding of the bodies of knowledge in this area. In encouraging students to develop analytical and problem solving skills – such as the ability to evaluate evidence, arguments and assumptions in order to reach sound judgements and communicate them effectively – Mass Communications creates the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills that are of relevance to a wide range of careers. In addition, the module offers an introduction to and context for some of the prevalent media forms specific to Britain today and a supportive academic and pastoral framework for students.
HUM104 Critical Thinking	This module aims to enable candidates to invest in thinking strategies to allow and enhance their understanding and interpretation of the focus of an argument/disagreement; ability to effectively evaluate the rationale and evidence to support claims; assess the credibility of sources made in a claim; and formulate and deliver clear and well structured arguments/opinion. In addition the module also provides a supportive academic and pastoral framework for students. Lecture subjects will include involve coverage of the fundamentals of critical thinking and to show how these can be applied to everyday life. This will involve developing an awareness of: understanding what an argument is claiming, assessing if an argument works or not, constructing an effective argument of your own. Understanding the key criteria e.g. bias, neutrality, vested interest to lie or tell the truth and reputation.
HUM106 Globalisation	This module has been designed to be delivered as part of the Humanities and related programme disciplines in order to present some of the fundamentals aspects of Globalization (globalization) in relation to academe and the realities of the world we live in today. The module will explore how the concept has evolved; the contexts to which it refers and is used; as well as the economic, political, technological and social forces inclusive of their associated situations, beliefs and historical aspects of local and/or regional phenomena that become global in nature. It will also seek to emphasis economic globalization, such as the integration of national economies into the international economy via the mechanisms of trade, investment, capital flow, immigration and migration as well as changes in engineering and technology.
HUM108 Introduction to Constitutional Principles	The module provides an introduction to the structure of the UK system of Government and Parliament from both theoretical and practical viewpoints. This module focuses on the concepts of Parliamentary Sovereignty, the Separation of the Powers and the Rule of Law, and analyse different approaches. The module will provide students with an understanding of the UK constitution and students will develop the ability to provide comparisons with other states and critically evaluate the benefits and demerits of issues using relevant materials to support arguments.

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