

Module Details	
Module Title	MRes Project Part 2
Module Code	LIS7021-E
Academic Year	2021/2
Credits	60
School	Life Sciences (Faculty-wide)
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 7

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Supervised time in studio/workshop	6
Tutorials	15
Directed Study	204
Laboratories	375

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 1
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 3

Module Aims
To provide the opportunity for students to:- Develop self-direction and originality in the application of knowledge and problem solving. - Develop a comprehensive understanding of appropriate advanced scientific techniques and how those techniques can be used to create and interpret knowledge. - Further develop their analytical, critical analysis, time management and IT skills.- Further develop their awareness of current issues in a research topic of their choice.- Work as part of a research team on a real-world project.

Outline Syllabus
Continuation of the research initiated in MRes Project 1 through a 10-week period of laboratory work.

Learning Outcomes	
Outcome Number	Description
01	Update assessment of potential hazards associated with research activity in their area and document a programme of work in accordance with all relevant safety, ethics, GLP and data management requirements.
02	Systematically gather, critically analyse and evaluate data, present data in an appropriate way and apply statistical analysis where appropriate.
03	Review results and identify ways of improving future work.
04	Interpret results, discuss critically in the context of published work and suggest appropriate future work based on their own and others' results.
05	Demonstrate effective communication skills by presenting a poster at the Faculty's Research Open Day.
06	Complete a review of a scientific manuscript written by a peer.
07	Demonstrate effective communication skills in preparation of a dissertation.
08	Work effectively to agreed objectives, responsibilities and working arrangements, demonstrating initiative and independence.
09	Demonstrate effective time management and project planning.
10	Demonstrate the knowledge and confidence in their ideas and abilities to defend the conclusion of their research in front of their peers.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy
<p>The module develops and enhances student autonomy in learning. Students will continue their research project as part of a research team in the University of Bradford. Learning outcomes are developed and achieved throughout the module by completing an individually-designed programme of laboratory work. Students meet frequently with their academic supervisor and other researchers who provide individual training and continual formative feedback throughout the project. In addition, students organise themselves into an editorial board to peer review journal manuscripts prepared as part of MRes Project 1, complete the poster (see MRes Project 1) and present it at the Faculty Research Open Day. Students also submit their CV (see MRes Project 1) and attend a mock job/PhD interview on which they receive formative feedback. LO5 is summatively assessed by presenting a poster at the Faculty Research Open Day. LO6 is summatively assessed by conducting a critical appraisal and providing constructive feedback on a manuscript written by a peer. LO1-LO4 and LO7 are summatively assessed by writing a dissertation. LO8 and LO9 are summatively assessed continuously throughout the module by the supervisor. LO1-LO4 and LO10 is summatively assessed through a 15-minute defence of the dissertation by oral exam.</p>

Mode of Assessment			
Type	Method	Description	Weighting
Summative	Dissertation or Project Report	Dissertation (12,000 words)	60%
Summative	Coursework	Poster Presentation (AO size)	10%
Summative	Coursework	Peer Review of a Scientific Paper (400 words)	10%
Summative	Coursework	Supervisor's assessment of laboratory competence, independence and initiative	10%
Summative	Presentation	Defence of dissertation (oral exam) (15 minutes)	10%
Formative	Dissertation or Project Report	Draft dissertation	N/A
Formative	Coursework	Draft of poster	N/A
Formative	Coursework	Slides for oral presentation	N/A
Formative	Coursework	Draft peer review report	N/A
Formative	Coursework	Mock job/PhD interview	N/A

Reading List
To access the reading list for this module, please visit <a href="https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html">https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html</a>

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