H9SPM: Strategic Project Management

Module Code:		PM				
Long Title		Strategic Project Management APPROVED				
Title		Strategic Project Management				
Module Level:		LEVEL 9				
EQF Level:		7				
EHEA Level:		Second Cycle				
Credits:		5				
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Departments:		School of Business				
Specifications of the qualifications and experience required of staff						
Learning O	utcomes					
On success	ful completion of this modu	ule the learner will be able to:				
#	Learning Outcome	Description				
LO1	Explain the importan	portance of ensuring a strong link between enterprise strategy and project selection and the importance of choosing an appropriate project tructure.				
LO2		roject management theory and practice including; determining and analysing the importance of project definition, planning, monitoring and control o project execution and successful completion.				
LO3	Identify and critically	and critically evaluate project risks and other general project issues through the use of project case study analysis.				
LO4	Apply core concepts	y core concepts of project management including the development of a project plan, risk log and change process to a business project.				
LO5	Analyse and appreci	ciate the process of auditing and closing out a project as well as the common reasons leading to project failure.				
Dependenc	cies					
Module Red	commendations					
No recomme	endations listed					
Co-requisit	te Modules					
No Co-requi	isite modules listed					
Entry requirements		There are no additional entry requirements for this module. The programme entry requirements apply. No pre-requisites or co-requisitesapply.				

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Module Content & Assessment

Indicative Content

Introduction

What is a Project? Projects versus Operations The importance of Project Management The Project Management Lifecycle Functions of a Project Manager

Organisation Strategy, Structure and Project Selection

The Strategic Management Process - An Overview Integration of Projects with the Strategic Plan Establishing Project priorities via links to Strategy Environmental factors affecting Projects (PESTL) Choosing the appropriate Project Management Structure The need for effective Project Portfolio Management

Project Definition, Planning and Control

Defining the Project Scope Creating the Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) Estimating Project Time and Cost Developing a Project Plan & Scheduling Resources Project Tools e.g. Computer Applications (MS Project), use of GANTT charts, monitoring progress and report generation Risk Management Change Control Quality Management

Effective Project Management
Human Resource Management Leadership: Being an Effective Project Manager Managing Project Teams Managing Conflict Communications Management

Project Audit and Closure

The Project Audit Process Project Evaluation and Close-out Check-list Why Projects Fail Lesson Learned

Assessment Breakdown	%	
Coursework	50.00%	
End of Module Assessment	50.00%	

Assessments

Full Time

Coursework

Non-Marked:

Assessment Type:

Continuous Assessment

% of total:

Outcome addressed:

50 2,3,4,5

Assessment Date:

Assessment Description:

Learners will be asked to analyse a business activity of strategic importance to include: defining the project scope and development of a project plan. Students will also undertake to analyse the application of the key project management knowledge areas including cost, risk and change assessment, quality, procurement, communications, HR etc. Finally, project execution and final outcome will be assessed as well as students giving their own views around lessons learned and making recommendations on best practice for future projects. The assignment will be prepared by students groups and presented and a written report submitted.

End of Module Assessment

Assessment Type:

Terminal Exam

% of total:

50

Assessment Date:

End-of-Semester

Outcome addressed:

1,2,3,4,5

Assessment Description:

The end of semester examination paper which is two hours in duration usually contains six questions, with learners required to answer any three questions. All questions will necessitate essay-style responses and marks will be awarded based on clarity, structure, relevant samples, depth of topic knowledge and evidence of outside core reading.

No Workplace Assessment

Reassessment Requirement

Repeat examination

Reassessment of this module will consist of a repeat examination. It is possible that there will also be a requirement to be reassessed in a coursework element

Reassessment Description

The module must be passed. Learners who fail to attain 40% average across the two assessment elements will be required to sit a repeat examination testing all learning outcomes. The repeat examination will be noted as a second sitting.

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Module Workload								
Module Target Workload Hours 0 Hours								
Workload: Full Time								
Workload Type	Workload Description	Hours	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload				
Lecture	Classroom and demonstrations	30	Per Semester	2.50				
Directed Learning	Directed e-learning		Per Semester	2.50				
Independent Learning	Independent learning	65	Per Semester	5.42				
Total Weekly Contact Hours								

Module Resources

Recommended Book Resources

Kerzner, H. (2022), Project Management Case Studies, 6th Ed. Wiley.

Meredith, J.R., Schafer, S.M., Mantel, S.J. Sutton, M.M. (2020), Project Management in Practice, 7th Ed. Wiley.

Gray, C & Larson EW. (2017), Project Management, The Managerial Process, 7th Ed. McGraw-Hill International.

Schwalbe, K. (2017), An Introduction to Project Management, 6th Ed. CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform.

Project Management Institute. (2021), Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide), 7th Ed. the Project Management Institute.

Supplementary Book Resources

Lester, A. (2017), Project Management, Planning and Control, 7th Ed. Butterworth-Heinemann.

Butrick, R. (2018), The Project Workout, 5th Ed. Prentice Hall.

This module does not have any article/paper resources

Other Resources

[Website], Project Management Institute https://www.pmi.org/.

Discussion Note: