

## Module Specification

### Module Summary Information

<b>1</b>	<b>Module Title</b>	Professional Practice and Management
<b>2</b>	<b>Module Credits</b>	20
<b>3</b>	<b>Module Level</b>	7
<b>4</b>	<b>Module Code</b>	ARC7446

<b>5</b>	<b>Module Overview</b>
<p>The purpose of this module is to develop your existing professional attributes and skills gained through work-based experiential learning in the areas of professional legal framework and practice management. This includes critical analysis of the architect's responsibility to society and the profession, the legal and legislative context for practice and the business and management processes involved in running and developing a successful business.</p> <p>The module will run from the middle of September until the middle of November. The outcomes of the module will be supported by the professional practice and management lecture programme delivered over two lots of two days during September and October and supported with individual and group tutorial input.</p> <p>During the first four weeks you will focus on developing your knowledge and understanding of the professional, ethical and legislative framework within which the architect operates. Following this and during the second four-week period the emphasis will be on identifying and analysing the processes involved in effective practice and management.</p> <p>Your academic learning should be supported by your continuing professional experience in practice and through self-guided group work facilitated by your learning sets. You will be expected to undertake your own research and discuss the findings in developing your answers to the questions set on the scenario-based open paper. The open paper is designed to encourage you to use your practice, peer group and colleagues as a resource in analysing the processes involved in order to embed the learning through experience. The paper will be released in two parts to reflect the lecture programmes discussed above but submitted a single portfolio for assessment during November.</p>	

<b>6</b>	<b>Indicative Content</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public Procurement</li> <li>Construction Design and Management Regulations (CDM)</li> <li>Planning Law</li> <li>BIM</li> <li>The Architects Responsibility to the Environment</li> <li>Professionalism and Ethics</li> <li>Starting Up in Practice</li> <li>Financial and Practice Management</li> <li>Marketing for Architects</li> <li>Employment Law</li> </ul>	

7		Module Learning Outcomes
<b>On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:</b>		
1	Critically analyse the architect's obligation to society and the profession within the wider ethical and professional context and develop an appropriate response to a selected aspect.	
2	Appraise and synthesise the briefing process, form and terms of appointment, remuneration and financial planning and the programming and execution of project tasks and prepare a detailed response to a given scenario.	
3	Evaluate the nature of business entities, office systems and administrative processes involved in running and maintaining an architect's practice.	
4	Identify and assess the legal context within which the architect must operate, and the processes undertaken to ensure compliance with legal requirements or standards.	

8		Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome	Coursework	Exam	In-Person	
1-4	X			

9		Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities
Learning Activities	Hours	
<b>Scheduled Learning (SL)</b> includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	30	
<b>Directed Learning (DL)</b> includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	130	
<b>Private Study (PS)</b> includes preparation for exams	40	
<b>Total Study Hours:</b>	200	