

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Case Study
2	Module Credits	40
3	Module Level	7
4	Module Code	ARC7448

5	Module Overview
<p>The purpose of this module is to enable you to develop professional judgement and critical analysis gained through your practical experience through a live project case study. The case study will be a current or recent project where you have had a reasonable level of involvement and that has an appropriate level of complexity to facilitate in depth analysis. The case study will provide the vehicle for critical analysis through the investigation of an issue or issues during the pre-contract and construction stages of a project. Your experience and research of these issues should be compared to best practice. You should also make comparisons with other forms of contract in order to reinforce your understanding of the different processes, risks and responsibilities involved in dealing with the issued raised. The case study will cover most of the professional criteria for Part 3 and will bring together the material covered in the academic taught sessions with your practical experience and work-based learning.</p> <p>The outcomes for this module will be supported through workshops and individual and group tutorial input enabling to help define the case study options and the issues identified for detailed investigation. This should be agreed with the module leader before preparation of the draft submission.</p> <p>The final element of assessment for the module is the professional interview (viva voce). This will focus on establishing your professional judgement and competence in relation to the analysis of the case study project. The second part of the interview will focus on the case study however, examiners may wish to extend the questioning to other areas of the programme to explore specific parts of the professional criteria. This section of the interview will follow the initial part related to your practical experience. In preparation for the final interview you will be expected to attend a mock interview. This will give you the opportunity to discuss your experience in this context and to build on the feedback given for the final interview. This will be further supported through a synoptic revision workshop that will take place in the weeks prior to the interview. The aim of this session is to run through an overview of processes and procedures in relation to the professional criteria as a refresher.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
<p>The case study should include the account and analysis of elements of your professional experience that map onto the overall course content and give an indication of the depth of the candidate's understanding of key issues. It should also demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attributes of integrity, impartiality, reliability and courtesy • Time management, recording, planning and review • Effective communication, presentation, confirmation and recording • Flexibility, adaptability and the principles of negotiation • Autonomous working and taking responsibility within a practice context 	

7		Module Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:		
	1	Critically analyse a range of complex problems and construct alternative solutions where appropriate.
	2	Evaluate appropriate research from a wide range of literature to inform your professional judgement.
	3	Identify best practice and compare with the problems and solutions identified through the case study.
	4	Demonstrate professional judgement and competence against a wide range of parameters and communicate effectively and succinctly through verbal communication.

8		Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome		Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1-3		X		
4				X

9		Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities
Learning Activities	Hours	
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	20	
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	300	
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	80	
Total Study Hours:	400	