

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Consultancy and IT Management
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	6
4	Module Code	CMP6172

5	Module Overview
<p>This module enables you to gain an understanding of the processes, scope and role when providing guidance or advice in a professional consulting capacity. It will also assist you if you join a larger organisation with the aspiration to become a leader and manager. The module provides awareness on the wider consulting profession and practice, the consulting role in computing and the management of client relationships. The focus will be to analyse and evaluate the frameworks, processes and techniques applied by computing consultants, managers and leaders.</p> <p>The module will instil you with the mind-set of a practitioner. Starting with the founding phases of contractual projects, you will work with life-like ambiguous scenarios, progressing from here to help resolve client problems and address business objectives. It helps individuals to further realise their specialisms and technical expertise they have acquired in Level 4 and 5 modules and their contribution to enhancing the client's business requirement.</p> <p>Practice-Based:</p> <p>In this module, you will collaborate with experts in the form of corporate partners who will provide guest lectures and live work briefs. The real-life scenarios will ensure that what you learn on this module is state-of-the-art with respect to professional practice.</p> <p>International:</p> <p>The nature of the module embeds culture and regional dimensions when practising management techniques and models, for example the topic of globalisation and encompasses international code of practices from the Institute of Consulting and Chartered Institute of Management allied with the professional bodies of the practitioners such as Institute of Engineering and Technology and Chartered Institute of Information Technology (British Computing Society).</p> <p>Relationship to programme philosophy:</p> <p>This module provides an opportunity for the student to develop knowledge and skills, which will contribute to the acquisition of key BCU graduate attributes; creative problem solvers, global outlook, enterprising, professional and work ready. In the context of computing and data communication, this means an ability to respond to a critical brief to find practical solutions to problems; evaluate and respond to the opportunities and challenges of interdisciplinary approaches to the realisation of a task; respond flexibly and imaginatively to a set, or group-determined brief within a fixed timescale.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional Practice Contracting and proposal development Self-assessment of coursework Belbin Organisational Management Leadership Globalisation Technology Adoption Management Framework Project Management Change Management

7	Module Learning Outcomes
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:
1	Critically evaluate applications of management frameworks, methods and techniques.
2	Apply phases of consultancy to propose a professional solution based on client needs.
3	Communicate concisely and professionally in a style appropriate to the intended audience.

8	Module Assessment
Learning Outcome	
	Coursework Exam In-Person
1-3	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	48
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	70
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	82
Total Study Hours:	200