

## Module title: Business Finance

<b>Module code:</b>	BF	<b>NQF level:</b>	Level 6
<b>Credit value:</b>	15 credits	<b>Study duration:</b>	9 weeks

### Module description

This module explores financial decision-making in businesses, with particular emphasis on the type of investments a business should undertake, and how these should be financed in order to meet an organisation's objectives.

### Aims

- Develop an understanding of business finance and its applications to the decision-making process in organisations.
- Examine theoretical concepts of, and practical modern approaches to, financial management. Set mainly within a domestic context, it pays particular attention to risk and return relationships.

### Learning outcomes

On completion of this module students will be able to:

- Critically analyse the role of finance in modern business
- Understand the conceptual framework of finance;
- Evaluate alternative funding policies and instruments available to firms;
- Understand the range and application of techniques used for capital investment appraisal;
- Appreciate methods of valuation and their application to corporate restructuring.

### Syllabus

- Nature of Business Finance
- Financial Measurement and Instruments
- Risk and Return
- Investment Appraisal
- Dealing with inflation, risk and uncertainty
- Valuation, funding and restructuring

### Learning and teaching methods

The Learning and Teaching Methods for the module follow the intended online delivery strategy for the programme as a whole. The module will be delivered through the provision of specified reading materials on the virtual learning platform, which shall be supported by specified discussion forums and lecturecasts, and Tutor support will be available to students via phone, email, and a fortnightly synchronous question and answer (Q&A) session.

### Assessment

Description of unit of assessment	Length / Duration	Submission Date	Weighting
Discussion contributions	Fortnight	End of Unit 2 and Unit 6	20%
Mid-module Assignment	1,500-2,000 words	End of Unit 4	30%
Journal Entries	300-500 words	Bi-weekly submission	20%
End of Module Project	1,500-2,000 words	End of Unit 9	30%