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Learning Outcomes	Assessment Criteria					Row Total
<i>On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:</i>	<i>Poor use of</i>	<i>Limited use of</i>	<i>Good use of</i>	<i>Very good use of</i>	<i>Outstanding use of</i>	
<p>L01: Identify and argue the main area of study and theme being researched</p>	Very blurred study area with little to no evidence of research theme	Study area and research theme is broadly defined but lacks clarity	Fair definition of Study area and research theme but lacks detail	Study area and research theme clear by afforded more detail	Study area and research theme exceptionally clear and well defined	
Max 15	3:	6:	9:	12:	15:	
<p>L02: Critically evaluate literature review on the selected research topic</p>	Poor Literature Review, sources of questionable reput and/or off-topic	Literature Review uses a significant amount of out-dated sources and/or provides insufficient cover for study	Fair Literature Review with essential areas covered and use of acceptable sources but issues with formatting and referencing method	Literature Review provides ample cover of topics and quality sources used but afforded more detail	Exceptional Literature Review with appropriate citations, references, and formatting	
Max 15	3:	6:	9:	12:	15:	
<p>L03: Justify the adoption of the chosen research methodology and propose correct methods of data enquiry by outlining the data creation/collection plan, and draw up a Research Project Plan</p>	Little to no evidence of justification for chosen methodology and/or data enquiry and/or Research Project Plan	Some evidence of justification for chosen methodology and/or data enquiry and/or Research Project Plan	Fair justification for chosen methodology, data enquiry is acceptable, and Research Project Plan contains main elements	Good justification for chosen methodology, well presented data enquiry and Research Project Plan details beyond essential	Excellent justification for chosen methodology, very well-presented data enquiry and very detailed Research Project Plan	
Max 25	5:	10:	15:	20:	25:	



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L04: Analyse data and interpret findings from the data collected, draw up tangible conclusions	Poor to No attempt at Analysing data Interpreting the findings and/or drawing Tangible Conclusions	Some evidence of data analysis, interpretation of findings and/or tangible conclusions	Fair attempt at data analysis, interpretation of findings and/or tangible conclusions	Correctly conducted data analysis, interpretation of findings and tangible conclusions but afforded more detail	Excellent data analysis, interpretation of findings and detailed tangible conclusions	
Max 25	5:	10:	15:	20:	25:	
L05: Evaluate main ethical & implementation research issues encountered, key limitations, and recommendations for further research	Little to no evidence to support evaluation of research issues, key limitations, and/or further research recommendations	Some evidence to support evaluation of research issues, key limitations, and/or further research recommendations	Valid but underdeveloped arguments to support evaluation of research issues, key limitations, and/or further research recommendations	Valid arguments to support evaluation of research issues, key limitations, and/or further research recommendations	Excellent arguments to support evaluation of research issues, key limitations, and/or further research recommendations	
Max 20	4:	8:	12:	16:	20:	

Comments

MQF / EQF Level 7	Set A: Knowledge & Understanding	Set B: Application & Analysis	Set C: Synthesis & Evaluation
Percentage Distribution	30%	40%	30%