

WM980-15 Supply Chain Fundamentals

20/21

Department

WMG

Level

Taught Postgraduate Level

Module leader

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Credit value

15

Assessment

100% coursework

Study location

Distance or Online Delivery

Description

Introductory description

This module is designed to explore the basic concept of what a supply chain is and how it gets things to you. It will explore the underpinning building blocks of the supply chain; planning, manufacturing, procurement, logistics and what we do with things once we are finished with them by firstly putting them into the context of everyday life and then reflecting how they apply in your business context. It will use a blend of multi-media resources to introduce the key concepts, critical roles, key issues and leading practice that define supply chains in practice.

Module aims

This module aims to provide delegates with an overview of basic concepts of supply chain - specifically planning, manufacturing, procurement and logistics, and how these can be analysed and applied in a business context.

Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

Supply Chain Definitions

Planning

Sourcing

Manufacturing
Logistics
Return (circular economy)

Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Evaluate the different perspectives and definitions of supply chain and supply chain management
- Assess and apply relevant core supply chain principles to improve end-to-end supply chain performance
- Evaluate your personal practice and its contribution to the delivery of supply chain and broader business strategy
- Develop and justify an action plan of one thing to do differently to improve your supply chain practice

International

Online delivery means that the module can be offered internationally

Subject specific skills

The key subject specific skills relate to the themes of Supply Chain Management, Planning, Sourcing Strategies and Manufacturing Strategies.

Transferable skills

The module will develop the following transferable skills: Collaborative Working (virtual), Cultural Awareness (virtual), Critical Thinking and Analysis, Self-Reflection, Learning Journal.

Study

Study time

Type	Required
Online learning (scheduled sessions)	50 sessions of 1 hour (62%)
Online learning (independent)	30 sessions of 1 hour (38%)
Total	80 hours

Private study description

Private Study /Self-directed study 40 hrs in preparation for assessment

Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You must pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group A

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Assessment component			
Online Discussion Contribution	20%	10 hours	No
Contribution to online discussion forums			

Reassessment component

Online Discussion Contribution No
This will be performed through a retrospective discussion of the original on-line between the tutor and the delegate

Assessment component

Video Assignment	60%	10 hours	Yes (extension)
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Video assignment in which the delegate delivers a critical summary of their personal learning from the module

Reassessment component is the same

Assessment component

Online Tests	20%	10 hours	No
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Online test to check understanding and analytical skills

Reassessment component is the same

Feedback on assessment

Written feedback of approximately 150-250 words will be provided for the video assignment within a four week period after the date of submission. This feedback will be focussed upon the strengths and weaknesses of the work with regard to the module learning objectives. Suggestions for improvement will also be provided. Written feedback will be given for all components and the (weighted) marks will be combined to provide a single consolidate mark.

Availability

There is currently no information about the courses for which this module is core or optional.