IB9BZ-30 FinTech in Practice

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Department
Warwick Business School
Level
Taught Postgraduate Level
Module leader
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Credit value
30
Module duration
12 weeks
Assessment
100% coursework
Study locations
University of Warwick main campus, Coventry Primary
WBS in London (The Shard)

Description

Introductory description

The FinTech in Practice module provides an opportunity to explore a project of practical relevance in financial technology together with the Gillmore Center for Financial Technology or one of its industry partners. This allows students to synthesise, apply and extend the knowledge they have gained in the taught component of the course in a close-to-real-life experience.

Module web page

Module aims

The principle aim of the module is that students synthesise, apply and extend the knowledge they have gained in the taught component of the course in a close-to-real-life experience. Working closely with the Gillmore Center for Financial Technology or one of its industry partners, students will be exposed to current business challenges of FinTech companies through a series of presentations and then tackle one of these challenges in a project. This will allow students to sharpen the skills learned in the course while gaining practical experience.

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.

Students will be exposed to a series of events and seminars hosted by the Gillmore Center for Financial Technology where FinTech companies present their business model and current challenges.

Students choose an individual project that should be related to one of the challenges students learned about during the seminar presentations. The goal is to provide a solution to one of the identified challenges. Solutions can, but do not have to, be of the form of a programming code, a development of a new business model, or a whitepaper.

This module involves multiple trips to the Shard in London. Students will be exposed to presentations of FinTech companies presenting their business models and current challenges. The last trip students present their solutions to faculty and industry representatives.

Learning outcomes

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

- Identify and then demonstrate an in-depth understanding and evaluation of current challenges faced by FinTech companies.
- Critically interpret findings from a project.

Indicative reading list

Reading lists can be found in Talis

Research element

Projects will require students to develop appropriate methodologies to derive credible solutions for current business problems in FinTech.

Interdisciplinary

Financial Technology is interdisciplinary by nature and relates to Information Systems, Finance, Computer Science, Statistics, and Law among other fields

International

FinTech is a global phenomenon, so many cases and challenges will naturally involve international markets and legislation.

Subject specific skills

Define, frame, propose, and present solutions to business problems in FinTech
Apply appropriate methodologies to derive credible solutions and recommendations.

Transferable skills

Communication skills
Problem solving
Time management skills

Study

Study time

Type	Required
Seminars	24 sessions of 1 hour 30 minutes (12%)
Other activity	9 hours 30 minutes (3%)
Private study	102 hours 30 minutes (34%)
Assessment	152 hours (51%)
Total	300 hours

Private study description

Private study to include preparation for lectures and own reading

Other activity description

1 session of 2 hours (briefing); 2 sessions of 1 hour (assignment guidance); 1 session of 1 hr (group presentation guidance), 9 sessions for 0.5 hour (Shard opening, closing, and reflection)

Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You do not need to pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group A1

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Assessment component			
5000 words report on business challenge	90%	137 hours	No
Reassessment component is the same			
Assessment component			
Group presentation - 20 minutes	10%	15 hours	No
Group presentation - 20 minutes (groups of three or four, analysing and comparing their individual solutions at the final event			
Reassessment component			
Individual Assignment			Yes (extension)

Feedback on assessment

via my.wbs

Availability

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