

BREW H3102: The Brewing Process

Module Title:		The Brewing Process
Language of Instruction:		English
Credits: 10		
NFQ Level:	7	
Module Delivered In		No Programmes
Teaching & Learning Strategies:		The full time version of the module will be delivered as 2h lecture per week. These lectures provide the learner with a broad overview of each topic in the syllabus. Learners will be required to supplement this with significant independent reading. Key analytical and applied competency skills are developed by learners in a laboratory environment 2h per week whilst working both individually and in groups. The part time version of the module will be delivered as 3h theory/practical class for 20 weeks. Learners will be exposed to theory and practice through exposure to and study of academic materials and industry practice materials. Learners will be required to actively engage with module materials and problem solving exercises.
Module Aim:		The aim of this module is to provide students with an understanding of the brewing process including wort production, separation and boiling

Learning Outcomes					
On successf	On successful completion of this module the learner should be able to:				
LO1	Describe the stages involved in the malting process including steeping, germination and kilning and be able to conduct the analyses required to detect malt quality				
LO2	Explain the milling process including malt handling procedures, techniques used during grist preparation and the different mill types				
LO3	Evaluate the effects of milling on the composition and quality of the final product				
LO4	Discriminate the biochemical and physiological reactions during mashing and understand wort composition and separation				
LO5	Explain the processes required to remove hop and hop product debris from wort, and examine the processes involved in wort cooling, dilution and aeration				
LO6	Develop the practical skills and techniques required for the brewing process				

Pre-requisite learning

Module RecommendationsThis is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is recommended before enrolment in this module.

No recommendations listed

Incompatible Modules
These are modules which have learning outcomes that are too similar to the learning outcomes of this module.

No incompatible modules listed

Co-requisite Modules

No Co-requisite modules listed

Requirements

This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is mandatory before enrolment in this module is allowed.

No requirements listed

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Module Content & Assessment

Indicative Content

Barlev

Barley intake, storage, drying, separation and grading

Malting process

Steeping, steep regimes and air rests; germination, moisture, temperature, biochemical changes, malting loss; kilning, free drying, forced drying, curing, kiln technology, biochemistry of kilning; malt analysis, malt quality, speciality malts

Water

Brewing water, source, composition, management

Hons

Hop biology and cultivation, chemical composition, hop products, hops in the brewing process, analysing hop quality

Millling

Malt handling procedures, dry goods, malt dust; techniques used during grist preparation; mill types and operation; effect of milling on composition and quality of beer

Mashing

blochemistry of mashing; mashing techniques and regimens; wort composition, separation, Darcy's law; wort boiling, process and equipment, wort classification, wort cooling, dilution, aeration

Fermentation

Centrifugation, flocculation, maturation, clarification, packaging

Practicals

1. Milling and mashing regimes/enzyme analysis. 2. Water analysis – ion content. 3. Sweet wort separation and composition – sugar and amino acid/total N analysis. 4. Wort boiling, hop conversion, estimation of bitterness/iso-alpha acids. 5. Beer fermentation, oxygen, pitching, monitoring of fermentation/OG-PG/pH/PP/attenuation. 6. Green beer processing: separation, flocculation, centrifugation, clarification. 7. Beer maturation/gyle/GC analysis of diacetyl and acetaldehyde. 8. Bright beer polishing/packaging. Estimation of oxygen content/oxygen flavour damage. 9. Packaged beer testing: Haze, colour, gravity, alcohol content, pH, acidity, bitterness, oxygen, carbon dioxide, head space air content. 10. Bacterial and yeast contamination of beer and the brewery environment.

Adjuncts and other cereals

Other cereals and adjunct raw materials. Gluten free raw materials. Alcohol-free and diat beers. Industrial enzymology and malting.

Wort Separation

Operation of lauter tuns, mash filters. Trub removal from hopped wort ex kettle.

Carbonation

Carbonation. CO2 production in breweries. Carbonation of final beer. CO2 measurement in bottle/kegs.

Assessment Breakdown	%
Continuous Assessment	10.00%
Practical	40.00%
End of Module Formal Examination	50.00%

Special Regulation

Students must achieve a minimum grade (35%) in both the practical/CA and final examination.

Continuous Assessment					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date	
Examination	Short exam	1,2,3,4,5	10.00	n/a	

No Project

Practical					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date	
Practical/Skills Evaluation	Laboratory work	6	40.00	n/a	

End of Module Formal Examination				
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date
Formal Exam	Final examination	1,2,3,4,5	50.00	End-of-Semester

Continuous Assessment					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date	
Examination	n/a	1	10.00	n/a	

No Project

Practical					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date	
Practical/Skills Evaluation	n/a	3,4,6	40.00	n/a	

End of Module Formal Examination					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date	
Formal Exam	n/a	1,2,4,5	50.00	End-of-Semester	

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Module Workload

Workload: Full Time		
Workload Type	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload
Lecture	30 Weeks per Stage	2.00
Laboratory	30 Weeks per Stage	2.00
Independent Learning	30 Weeks per Stage	2.00
	Total Hours	180.00

Workload: Part Time		
Workload Type	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload
Practicals	20 Weeks per Stage	3.00
Independent Learning	20 Weeks per Stage	7.00
	Total Hours	200.00