

Module Title:	Strategic Procurement
Language of Instruction:	English
Credits:	10
NFQ Level:	8
Module Delivered In	1 programme(s)
Teaching & Learning Strategies:	Lectures - communication of knowledge and ideas from the lecturer to the student. Problem Solving Exercises - student will work as part of a team and will work together to resolve various management scenarios. Class Discussion/Debate - Students will be encouraged to actively participate in the class sessions which will develop their analytical and communication skills. E-Learning - It is envisaged that the module will be supported with on-line learning materials. Self-Direct Independent Learning - the emphasis on independent learning will develop a strong and autonomous work and learning practices.
Module Aim:	The aim of this module is to provide a deep understanding of how purchasing strategy is developed in the industrial sector.
Learning Outcomes	
<i>On successful completion of this module the learner should be able to:</i>	
LO1	Discuss the Role of Purchasing in the company and product lifecycle.
LO2	Discuss the contribution of purchasing to corporate strategy.
LO3	Identify and discuss best practice in Purchasing, Supply Chain Management and Risk Management.
LO4	Discuss Interdepartmental co-ordination of procurement and objectives alignment.
Pre-requisite learning	
Module Recommendations <i>This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is recommended before enrolment in this module.</i>	
No recommendations listed	
Incompatible Modules <i>These are modules which have learning outcomes that are too similar to the learning outcomes of this module.</i>	
No incompatible modules listed	
Co-requisite Modules	
No Co-requisite modules listed	
Requirements <i>This is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is mandatory before enrolment in this module is allowed.</i>	
No requirements listed	

Module Content & Assessment

Indicative Content

The role of purchasing in the firm

Purchasing relationship with other functions; purchasing and the product lifecycle; the new product development process, new product introduction, purchasing changing role during the growth maturity and decline phases.

The purchasing decision process

Sources and nature of information; Knowledge Management; structured and unstructured decisions; operational and strategic supply side decisions; Make or buy, sub-contracting and outsourcing decisions, eProcurement and leveraging ICT in procurement.

Strategy, Innovation and Supply

Creativity and innovation; corporate culture; Corporate Strategies; Strategic Procurement and Supply Chain Positioning; Competition and Collaboration;

TQM Driven Purchasing Strategies

The evolution of TQM, Variability and Quality Management; reducing the supplier base; Supplier Certification; Single Sourcing;

Lean Driven Supply Strategies

The evolution of manufacturing; the origins of Lean Production; Supplier Tiering; Structural and Behavioural aspects of Lean Supply Networks in Japan; Supplier Relationships; The migration of JIT and Lean practices to Western Manufacturing;

Compare Traditional Purchasing to Lean, Agile & Virtual Supply Chains

The limitations of Lean Production; Purchasing in different industries, The elements of an agile supply chain; Outsourcing and Managing a Virtual Supply Chain.

Assessment Breakdown

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Continuous Assessment

100.00%

Continuous Assessment

Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date
Essay	Individual Academic Essay	1,2	20.00	Week 4
Project	Group Project and Presentation	2,3,4	40.00	Week 6
Essay	Individual Academic Essay	2,3,4	20.00	Week 11
Project	Group Project and Presentation	2,3,4	20.00	Week 12

No Project

No Practical

No End of Module Formal Examination

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Module Workload

Workload: Full Time		
<i>Workload Type</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Average Weekly Learner Workload</i>
Lecture	12 Weeks per Stage	6.00
Independent Learning	15 Weeks per Stage	11.87
Total Hours		250.00

Workload: Part Time		
<i>Workload Type</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Average Weekly Learner Workload</i>
Lecture	12 Weeks per Stage	3.00
Independent Learning Time	15 Weeks per Stage	14.27
Total Hours		250.00

Module Delivered In

Programme Code	Programme	Semester	Delivery
CW_BBSCM_B	Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Supply Chain Management	7	Mandatory