
Managing for sustainability T867

Presentation pattern *May to October*
 November to April

Module description

This module will increase students' understanding of delivering and supporting sustainability management. They will develop a multi-disciplinary perspective on resources, sustainability and health and safety management which will incorporate strategy, policy, data collection and knowledge management. It will introduce them to a systemic approach for studying organisational operations and methods for quantifying and optimising resource use and energy use while using tools to reduce environmental, societal and financial risk. They will also learn how to improve the efficiency and effectiveness with which their organisation can incorporate sustainability issues and to identify future trends and drivers for change in this area.

Person specification

The person specification for this module should be read in conjunction with the [generic person specification](#) for an associate lecturer at The Open University.

As well as meeting all the requirements set out in the generic person specification, you should have:

- a degree or equivalent in a relevant subject area, e.g. environmental management, sustainability, environmental engineering or similar
- a sound theoretical understanding of the key issues in sustainability
- significant experience of an inter-disciplinary approach to the environment and health and safety
- some practical experience of auditing and assessment in an environmental and/or health and safety context
- a keen and enthusiastic approach to engaging with students in a variety of media, including e-desktop conferencing
- some experience of supporting students through an extended piece of work and in writing a project report.

It would be an advantage to have:

- a postgraduate qualification or equivalent in a relevant subject area
- experience of accreditation such as ISO14001
- experience of working across health, safety and environmental issues within a variety of organisations
- experience of management tools, including handling data relevant to sustainability, and the ability to support students in developing or enhancing their numeracy skills.

Module related details - a full explanation can be found on the website

Credits awarded to the student for the successful completion of a module:	30
Number of assignments submitted by the student:	3
Method of submission for assignments:	2
Level of ICT requirements:	3
Number of students likely to be in a standard group:	20
Salary band:	4
Estimated number of hours per teaching week:	6