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| Module code | CIF 7032 |
| Module title | Project-Preparation of the application for Master Thesis |
| Module leader | Velid Efendic? |
| Module tutors | Velid Efendic? |
| Module level | HE7 |
| Credit value | 12 |
| ECTS value | 6 |
| Module type | Standard  |
| Delivery Type |  |
| Pre-requisite modules/learning | N/A |
| Co-requisite modules | N/A |
| Barred combinations | N/A |
| Module duration | 1 semester |
| Module outline(200 words max) | The main aim of this course is to lead student, in coordination with his/her potential mentor, through the process of the master thesis proposal. Having passed all the required assessments as defined in the study programme curriculum and relevant syllabus, a candidate is allowed to propose his/her project as an introductory segment leading to a Master Thesis proposal.  |
| Indicative content | 1. Problem Domain;
2. Research Question – Research Problem;
3. Research Goal;
4. Thesis’ planned contribution to theory and practice of management (economics, business);
5. Research Method/Methodology to be used;
6. Why is the planned research important and for whom;
7. Type of Research (conceptual solution, literature review, case study, etc.);
8. Research Activities Time Plan;

9. Preliminary List of Primary and Secondary Sources |
| Learning outcomes | 1. Formulate appropriate research question and goal and conduct in-depth litrature review
2. Demonstrate critical undrestanding of various types of available reserach methodologie required to complete a master thesis
3. Define contribution to theory and practice by providing critical analysis of the extant literature.

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| Learning and teaching strategy(200 words max) | The activities you undertake during formal lectures will be directed towards evaluating your understanding of choosing appropriate topic and write a proposal to apply for a master thesis in the area of Islamic Banking and Finance. This will be enabled by blended learning, utilising material available via the virtual Learning Environment to help you prepare for the formal sessions. Additional resources such as links to relevant electronic publications and useful websites are also included. In addition, you are expected to undertake a great deal of guided independent study to ensure you are fully prepared for the formal sessions. Is this correct??? |
| Learning and teaching methods*(any ‘scheduled’ categories, refers to class contact time – ensure this is realistic as audits for QAA will be tested)* | **Method** | **KIS category** | **Hours per module** |
| Case study – problem research approach |  | 20 |
| Proposal writing |  | 100 |
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| **Total** | 120 |
| KIS summary(learning and teaching) |  | % |
| Scheduled | 33.3 |
| Independent | 66.7 |
| Placement |  |
| Formative assessment strategy(200 words max|) | Draft work will be presented to the supervisor (via email) for comment. This will be returned in a timely fashion. |
| Summative assessment strategy(brief) | Your master Thesis proposal must contain the following elements: Problem Domain; Research Question – Research Problem; Research Goal; Thesis’ planned contribution to theory and practice of management (economics, business); Research Method/Methodology to be used; Why is the planned research important and for whom; Type of Research (conceptual solution, literature review, case study, etc.); Research Activities Time Plan; Preliminary List of Primary and Secondary Sources. |
| Summative assessment | **Item** | **Final item?****Y/N** | **Method** | **KIS category** | **Description** | **LO****number** | **Weighting****%** |
|  | Y  | Proposal  |  | Master Thesis Proposal | 1,2,3 | 100 |
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| KIS Summary (assessment) |  | % |
| Master Thesis Proposal | 100 |
| Feedback on assessment | Formative: offered on draft proposal within 5 days.Summative: For Master thesis proposal the feedback will be within 3 weeks. |
| Module pass mark | 50% |
| Indicative reading list and other learning resources | 1. Addas, W (2008), Methodology of Economics, Secular vs Islamic, International Islamic University Malaysia.
2. Past examples of dissertations/research proposals are available at: <http://ubir.bolton.ac.uk/index.php?action=listCategoryProcess&id=5>
3. Saunders, M., Thornhill, A. and Lewis, P. (2012) Research Methods for Business Students, 4th Edition, Harlow: FT Prentice Hall, 6th edition
4. Bell, J. (2005) Doing Your Research Project: A Guide for First-Time Researchers in Education, Health and Social Science, 4th Edition, Open University Press, Maidenhead
5. Crowther, D. Lancaster, G. (2009) Research Methods in Management, Elsevier Butterworth-Heinemann, Oxford
6. Saunders, M., Lewis, P. and Thornhill, A. (2009) Research Methods for Business Students, Pearson Education (4th Ed) is available via the e-books collection at: <http://lib.myilibrary.com/Browse/Open.asp?ID=177101>
7. Lancaster, G.A. (2005) Research Methods in Management: A Concise Introduction to Research in Management & Business Consultancy, Elsevier Science is available via the e-books collection at: <http://lib.myilibrary.com/Browse/open.asp?ID=101438>
8. Collis J. and Hussey, R. (2003) Business Research – a practical guide for undergraduate and postgraduate students (2nd Ed) Palgrave Macmillan is available via the e-books collection at: http://lib.myilibrary.com/Browse/open.asp?ID=25100
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| Module in use from | Sep 2013 |