



Assignment 2016/2017 School of Psychology, Early Years & Therapeutic Studies

Assignment Brief

Module Title: Research Methods and Project Management Skills

Module Code: G107461

Assignment Title: A Presentation with notes (**30% weighting**)

Limits: 1500 words

Assignment N^o: Assignment 1 (out of 2 for whole module)

Weighting: 30% of Module Mark

Hand-in Date: tbc

Hand-in Time: tbc

Learning Outcomes Assessed:

1. Demonstrate an advanced understanding of the essential principles of research design regarding a specific project as well as an appreciation of alternative research strategies.
2. Critically evaluate sources of information and/or argument in relation to research objectives.
3. Demonstrate effective skills in the communication of research output / findings.
4. Apply project management tools, processes and techniques to a workplace project.
5. As appropriate to specific student needs, students will develop an advanced understanding in at least one of the following areas:

A range of research methods for data collection;
Data management and analysis, and awareness of issues affecting data interpretation;
The use of computer programmes to perform qualitative and/or quantitative analysis of data.

Instructions

Assignment Title: (1500 words)

A Presentation with notes based on the formal proposal for the research to be carried out in the dissertation stage (**30% weighting**).

Assignment Guidelines:

Presentation with notes [summary of assignment 1] (5 minutes / 10 slides)

Main points of assignment 1 should be presented in a Power Point presentation consisting of 10 slides and accompanying text. Also, under the slides (in the notes section) explanatory text should be provided. This text should be reflecting in general what you would say if the presentation was orally presented. The presentation should not just be copying and pasting from assignment 1 but selections should be made and presented briefly.

Make sure that apart from the content, the appearance of your presentation should be considered (e.g. not very long text in each slide, font size, colours etc). Also, any sources used should be acknowledged and cited in the slides and reference list accordingly.

In your presentation you will need to present the following:

- Your research title
- The research questions
- The research design
- The schedule of activities
- Deliverables and benefits to the participating organisation

The word limit is 1500 words +/- 10%.

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is not accepted in any form. Please ensure you are familiar with the regulations on plagiarism. These are located in the Student Handbook. Students should ensure that they understand these regulations and tick the box relating to plagiarism located on the assignment front cover sheets to confirm they have not plagiarised. Your assignment should be referenced according to the APA system used at the University of South Wales. Further information can be obtained via the Library Services.

Marking Grid

Students are advised to refer to the School Assessment Criteria Handbook; Information on the alphanumeric grading system used to grade this assessment can be found in the School Assessment Criteria Handbook.

What happens next?

Under usual circumstances your assignment should be ready for collection twenty working days after submission. However please be advised that this may be subject to change in the event of bank holidays or staff sickness. To understand the grade you've been given please refer to the Student handbook.

If you are unclear about any of the feedback you have received, please contact your module tutor.

In the event that you do not pass this assignment, a second chance may be available to you referred to as a "retrieval task". Details about any retrieval tasks will be published on Blackboard at the start of the necessary retrieval period.

Please refer to the Student Handbook for further details on rules and regulations.

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Marking Feedback

ASSESSMENT 2: PRESENTATION WITH NOTES

Student id:

CRITERIA	GRADE AWARDED
1. A clear and professional presentation consisting of a research title, research questions, research design, and schedule of activities	/ 40
2. Identification of deliverables and benefits to the participating organisation and / or theory	/ 30
3. Presented within the allocated 10 slides with additional notes	/ 25
4. Presentation & Referencing <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use of grammar, punctuation and spelling	/ 5

Student feedback

What went well

What do you need to do to improve

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Tutor:

Grade:

* Please note that grade is provisional until ratified by exam board