

Module Details	
Module Title	Understanding Health and Social Care through Policy and Strategy
Module Code	LEM7033-C
Academic Year	2020/1
Credits	30
School	School of Nursing and Healthcare Leadership
Subject Area	Health, Well-Being and Social Care
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 7
Pre-requisites	N/A
Co-requisites	N/A

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Practical Classes or Workshops	16
Online Tutorials (Synchronous)	8
Independent Study	264
Learning Objects Interaction	12

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 1

Module Aims
On completing the module you will be able to; critically analyse the development, implementation and evaluation of strategy and policy; apply and evaluate different theories and models that can be used to develop and implement strategy and policy; consider the current national and international health and social care environment and the implications for strategy and policy. Also, evaluate strategy and policy after implementation using robust approaches.

Outline Syllabus

The module will explore the following issues and include any relevant new developments:

Different theories and approaches used in policy and strategy.

An understanding of strategy and the strategy process; strategic and business planning, different levels of strategic planning; organisational values, beliefs, vision, mission statements. Policy and the Policy Cycle: Theories and models used in policy development and implementation. Organisational Structures: organisational structures and design and the implications for strategy and policy. Strategic analysis and tools: The general environment, PEST, SWOT analysis, scenario and Horizon planning, stakeholder analysis. The Competitive Environment: marketing theory and approaches. Implementation and evaluation of policy and the issues and problems with strategy and policy implementation and evaluation. Approaches to strategy and policy evaluation.

Learning Outcomes

Outcome Number	Description
1	Critically discuss a range of different theories and approaches utilised in strategy and policy in the health and social care sector.
2	Critically appraise the development, implementation and evaluation of strategy and policy.
3	Critically apply different theories and tools to develop, implement and evaluate strategy and policy.
4	Critically evaluate different theories and models to develop and implement strategy and policy.
5	Critically analyse the current national and international environment in health and social care and consider the implications for strategy and policy.
6	Engage critically with academic sources and present ideas and arguments in a well structured and coherent manner.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

LO 1,2 are developed & achieved through a series of research informed lectures that cover key topics and are delivered on campus in the four workshop days (subject to circumstances). The knowledge and theory introduced on these days will be further explored in student-centred independent learning, online activities and surgeries.

Online synchronous student-centred activities will be used to explore subjects introduced in workshop days & provide students with opportunity to discuss & analyse topics and to improve their understanding of strategy and policy covered in the module (LO 1-6).

Extensive use is made of the Virtual Learning Environment & this medium is used to complement lectures, to support students. Time is allocated within the module for students to engage with online materials (including relevant websites, documents & a range of online resources such as video clips & blogs etc.) designed and packaged to support specific learning objectives (LO 1-6).

All LO are assessed via a written assignment of 4000 words. Students will be able to submit a 500 essay plan prior to the final submission date & receive formative feedback.

Mode of Assessment				
Type	Method	Description	Length	Weighting
Summative	Coursework	Essay (4000 words)	N/A	100%

Reading List
To access the reading list for this module, please visit https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html

Please note:

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