Current Record

Module Details

Module Code	RUS902
Module Name	DISSERTATION
Module Short Title	
ECTS weighting	10
Semester/term taught	
Contact Hours	12 hours per student per two terms (not timetabled)
Module Personnel	
Learning Outcomes	
Module Learning Aims	To broaden and deepen students' knowledge of an area of Russian literature, cultural studies, history, language/linguistics or other agreed topic through independent research; to develop research and writing skills through a major piece of independent work; to develop independence and originality of thinking through working independently on a topic of special interest.
Module Content	All TSM students are required to submit a dissertation of 10,000 words on an approved topic in their Senior Sophister year. The dissertation is an independent extended piece of writing based on the student's own research. Dissertation topics should be discussed with potential supervisors and/or the Head of Department during the Junior Sophister year; topics need to be approved by the Head of Department. Students should use the summer vacation before the Senior Sophister year and/or their period of residence in Russia to research their dissertation topic. During the Senior Sophister year, up to twelve contact hours with the dissertation supervisor will be available. Students agree a schedule with their supervisor, and submit work regularly in draft form during the course of the year, which is then discussed with the supervisor and if necessary modified. Students work in consultation with a dissertation supervisor on identifying an appropriate research question, researching and making appropriate use of a suitable body of primary and secondary sources, structuring and editing an extended piece of writing, differentiating between analysis, discussion and argument.
Recommended Reading List	For referenciung, see the PDF: Examples of Reference Guides in http://www.tcd.ie/Library/support/referencing.php

Module Pre Requisite	
Module Co Requisite	
Assessment Details	n/a
Module Website	
Module approval date	
Approved By	
Academic Start Year	
Academic Year of Data	2014/15