## Module Template for New and Revised Modules

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<td>Assoc. Prof. David Hoey</td>
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### Module Learning Outcomes with reference to the Graduate Attributes and how they are developed in discipline

On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

- **LO1.** Critically analyse current scientific/engineering topics and clearly and concisely present their findings in a literature review
- **LO2.** Write high quality scientific reports and research proposals
- **LO3.** Understand some of the more useful tools for data analysis
- **LO4.** Understand the ethical issues involved in biomedical engineering
- **LO5.** Be able to work on an engineering team to achieve
- **LO6.** Utilise the scientific search engines to uncover relevant literature/patents/reports
- **LO7.** Understand good practice in scientific/engineering experiments

### Graduate Attributes: levels of attainment

- To act responsibly - Enhanced
- To think independently - Enhanced
- To develop continuously - Enhanced
- To communicate effectively - Enhanced

### Module Content

This module’s goal is to educate students in the field of: biomechanical experimental practice, data analysis, scientific literature scrutiny and report writing. The course introduces students to a number of experimental data analysis tools, experimental methods, report writing skills, statistical tools, and good practice investigational methods when analysing engineering/scientific literature. There are 18 lectures on topics that will aid students to perform robust scientific experiments and write high-quality engineering/scientific reports.

- Lectures on report/literature review drafting skills
- Endnote, Pubmed and GraphPad workshops
- Practical experimental sessions on the material properties of biological tissues
- Ethical issues in biomedical engineering
Teaching and Learning Methods

The module is taught using a combination of lectures, laboratories and workshops. In the event of a COVID-19 lockdown, the teaching methods for this module may have to be revised. Your module coordinator will keep you updated.
### Assessment Details

Please include the following:
- Assessment Component
- Assessment description
- Learning Outcome(s) addressed
- % of total
- Assessment due date

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### Reassessment Requirements

Reassessment will consist of a written assignment and interview.

### Contact Hours and Indicative Student Workload

**Contact hours:** 44

- **Independent Study (preparation for course and review of materials):** 18
- **Independent Study (preparation for assessment, incl. completion of assessment):** 58

### Recommended Reading List

- Mind the Stop: A Brief Guide to Punctuation with a Note on Proof-correction by Gordon Vero Carey

### Module Pre-requisite

- MEU44BM5/ME5M19 Biomechanics

### Module Co-requisite

- No

### Module Approval Date

- 09/04/2020