ECP77303 — Urban and Housing Economics

Module Code	ECP77303
Module Title	Urban and Housing Economics
Department	Economics
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Credit Weighting	5
Semester	Semester 1
Contact Hours	14

Module Content	
Module Description	This module aims to provide students with an extensive overview of how economists assess and seek to understand the housing market. At the end of the module students will have a comprehensive knowledge of the economics and finance-based theory that is used to understand housing markets and the quantitative models that are used to assess the developments of key housing variables. The module will also provide students with an understanding of the different measures policymakers can use to influence housing markets and how some these policy issues are incorporated in the empirical frameworks used to model the housing market.
Module Learning Aims	None
Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this module, students should be able to: MLO9.1 Explain in detail the different determinants of housing supply and demand. MLO9.2 Explain how models of house prices and the house price to rent ratio are derived MLO9.3 Discuss the empirical implementation of these models MLO9.4 Use these models to assess the sustainability or otherwise of the housing market MLO9.5 Illustrate how the provision of credit can impact the housing market MLO9.6 Describe how key policy levers such as macroprudential policy can be assessed in an empirical framework
Indicative Reading / Resources	None

Assessment	
Assessment Components	Written assignment 30% Written Exam 70%
Assessment Details	None

Additional Information	
Prerequisites	None
Co-requisites	None
Any other information	None