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Summary Information

Module Code	7592CATSCI
Formal Module Title	Buildings for People
Owning School	Biological and Environmental Sciences
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	15
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings	
Lucia Galvez Bravo	Yes	N/A	

Module Team Member

	Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings	
Jane Fisher	Yes	N/A	

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery	
Biological and Environmental Sciences	

Partner Teaching Institution

Institution Name

Centre for Alternative Technology

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	14
Seminar	8
Workshop	8

Module Offering(s)

Offering Code	Location	Start Month	Duration
SEP-PAR	PAR	September	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	a) Synthesise an understanding of the conceptual aspects and appreciate the complex nature of the inter relationships that exist between occupant comfort, energy flows in buildings and energy efficient building design.
	b) Apply the above in practice and define how they relate to adaptation and sustainability in the built environment.
	c) Develop a systematic, holistic, multidisciplinary and analytical approach to the critical appraisal of energy efficient design, heat flows, and provision of thermal comfort with respect to the demands of climate change adaptation and the principles of sustainability.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Code	Description	
MLO1	Demonstrate a clear comprehensive understanding of the principles of occupant comfort in the context of energy efficient design of the built environment under an adaptation and sustainability remit	

MLO2	Illustrate a critical understanding of the general principles of heat transfers and ventilation in buildings in the context of the design of buildings under an adaptation and sustainability remit		
MLO3	Demonstrate skills in numerical analysis applied to energy flows in buildings		
MLO4	Critically evaluate a building's design in terms of effectiveness in providing for occupant comfort, energy efficiency, wider environmental impacts, and resilience to climate change		

Module Content

Outline Syllabus

Thermal comfort, Heat transfers through building fabric, determination of U values; Thermal mass, Ventilation, Impact of moisture on building fabric and occupant health, Passive Cooling, Passive approaches to sunlight and solar gain, Natural lighting, Solar resource, Urban heat island effect, Climate influences on design and future climate change considerations for this and Quantification of building performance

Module Overview

Additional Information

Indicative References:

Core

McMullan, R., (2017) Environmental Science in Building 8th Edition, London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Recommended

CIBSE (2014) Buildings for extreme environments: Arid. London: Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers.

CIBSE (2017) Buildings for extreme environments: Tropical. London: Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers.

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CIBSE (2021) Environmental Design – CIBSE Guide A. London: Chartered Institute of Building Services Engineers.

Halliday, S. (2019) Sustainable Construction (2nd Edition). Routledge, London.

Pelsmakers, S., (2015) The Environmental Design Pocket Book (2nd Edition). London: RIBA Publishing.

Roaf, S. (2009) Adapting Buildings and cities for climate change: a 21st century survival guide. 2nd ed. Oxford: Elsevier.

Szokolay, S., (2014) Introduction to Architectural Science: The Basis of Sustainable Design (3rd Edition). Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Learning Outcome Mapping
Essay	Essay	60	0	MLO1, MLO2
Report	Numerical Analysis	40	0	MLO3, MLO4