### MANAGING HUMAN RESOURCES

Theme:	Human Resource Management
Assessment Weighting:	50 % Coursework
	50 % Examination

### INTRODUCTION

This module provides students with an in-depth understanding of the major human resource issues involved in managing a workforce in a business organisation. The study of this module is significant in that it builds on material covered in modules such as *Management and Marketing Principles* in Stage I and *Management and Organisational Behaviour* in Stage II of the programme.

The module explores the relationship between an organisation's strategy, its culture and its Human Resource Management policies and procedures.

### AIMS

The aims of this module are to:

- Give students an overview of the Human Resource Management function
- Help students understand the organisational implications of fully implementing a Human Resource Management Programme
- Introduce students to the different models of Human Resource Management integration with the organisation's strategy
- Help students understand the effect of culture and structure on Human Resource Management
- Ensure students have a substantial understanding of Human Resource Planning, Recruitment and Selection, Training and Developing and Reward Systems.

# LEARNING OUTCOMES

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

- Demonstrate an elaborated understanding of the theory, concepts and limitations of current Human Resource Management
- Discuss the key skills of Human Resource Management including recruitment and selection of staff, training and development of staff, performance management and reward management
- Evaluate the context, limits and possibilities of Human Resource Management from an international perspective
- Assess the role of Human Resource Management and Employee Relations within an organisation and its strategic fit with other departments

# INDICATIVE MODULE CONTENT

The Nature of Human Resource Management

- Introduction
- History and development of Human Resource Management theory and models

The role of the Human Resources practitioner

- The basic roles
- Gaining support and commitment
- Ethical considerations
- Conflict in the Human Resources contribution

Work and Employment

- The nature of work
- The employment relationship
- The psychological contract

Organisational behaviour in Human Resources

- Characteristics of people
- Motivation
- Organisational commitment and engagement
- Organisational culture

People resourcing

- Human Resource Planning
- Recruitment and Selection

Procedural documentation

- Employment contracts
- Employee handbook

Performance Management

- Characteristics of Performance Management
- The process of Performance Management

Human Resource Development

- Learning and development
- Training

Reward

- Job evaluation
- Market rate analysis
- Financial and non financial rewards

International Human Resource Management

- The cross cultural organization
- Recruitment and Selection in an international context
- Human Resource Management in an international context

**Employee Relations** 

• Overview of Employee Relations