

## Unit 28 Dissertation I (THM3009)

Competences: – at the end of the module/unit the learner will have acquired the responsibility and autonomy to:

- a) Conduct research in the field of tourism and hospitality whilst following established ethical standards
- b) Produce research that evaluates and synthesises written materials and displays evidence of independent research skills
- c) Plan and write a dissertation demonstrating logical consistency, structure and sound interpretation of facts and ideas

Knowledge – at the end of the module/unit the learner will have been exposed to the following: (This can be a list of knowledge/content items)

- a) An appreciation of ethical research standards
- b) A detailed understanding of a particular area of relevance to the degree.
- c) An in-depth knowledge of the relevant literature on the subject area of the dissertation.
- d) A knowledge of academic referencing.

Skills – at the end of the module/unit the learner will have mastered the following skills:

### **Applying knowledge and understanding**

The learner will be able to:

- a) Use appropriate software and/or hardware to record, analyse and present data
- b) Employ quantitative and/or qualitative research methods to investigate a pertinent theme in the field
- c) Prepare necessary documentation required for the implementation and presentation of the dissertation
- d) Develop a critical attitude towards literature and other research sources
- e) Employ the appropriate conventions in the writing process.

***Judgment Skills and Critical Abilities***

- a) Critically evaluate arguments and information which are valid from various sources consulted
- b) Justify own arguments using the results of research or appropriate literature
- c) Explore an original solution to a problem in tourism and hospitality

***Additional Module-Specific Communication Skills, if required.***

The learner will be able to:

- a) Present research findings using suitable graphical, numerical, or textual representations
- b) Discuss research problems and ideas
- c) Explain the processes and methods undertaking to achieve dissertation objectives

***Additional Module-Specific Learner Skills, if required.***

The learner will be able to:

- a) Reflect on own progress within the dissertation so as to enhance own approach and methods
- b) Act upon guidance given by dissertation mentor/supervisor to improve own research practices