Research Skills - Geography and Environmental Science

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The module introduces and develops a range of skills which are central to the research process and the development of key skills important for employment after graduation. The module provides students with the research skills they will need to complete Year 3 dissertation projects and experience of writing a CV and cover letter for job applications. The syllabus is delivered via 12 tutorial sessions which support a lecture/ workshop series comprising core components for all students and options aimed at human or physical geographers and environmental scientists. The tutorials provide a learning environment, to support students in discussing key issues and in developing important professional skills. All students attend the core sessions which deal with the development of research proposals and reports; Careers and Employability. Optional sessions are focussed towards the needs of different disciplines (for example, pollen analysis for physical geographers and environmental science students or questionnaire and interview design for human geographers). Assessment is coursework-based and comprises an oral presentation (15%), an essay (20%), a CV and covering letter (15%); and a dissertation proposal (50%)