La Trobe University

School of Law

ICR3 IFC: International Financial Crime

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Assessment Tasks and Instructions

1   Overview

There are three assessments in this subject:

- An online multiple choice test that to be completed between the first two blocks of lectures. It will open on **Friday, 29 January 2020 at 1700** and close on **Thursday, 4 February 2021 at 0800**. This a lecture and reading-related multiple choice test that will count 20% of the total mark.
- An annotated bibliography of 1,200 words to be submitted at **1300 on 8 February 2021**. The bibliography will support research for the research essay on this subject. The bibliography counts for 20% of the total mark.
- A research essay of 2,300 words, to be submitted on Monday, **16 February 2020 at 1300**. The topic for the essay is prescribed. The essay counts for 60% of the total mark.

2   Multiple choice test (20%)

2.1   An online multiple choice test will be set to be completed between the first two blocks of lectures. It will open on **Friday, 29 January 2020 at 1700** and close on **Thursday, 4 February 2021 at 0800**.

2.2   The test will cover the text of the Topic guides for Topics 1, 2 and 3 as well as the prescribed reading in those topics (i.e. not the optional reading).

3   Annotated bibliography (20%)

3.1   An annotated bibliography of 1,200 words must be submitted at **1300 on 8 February 2021**. The bibliography will support research for the research assignment that must be submitted.

3.2   **Task: Identify four scholarly readings relating to the impact of the Financial Action Task Force, Justify each selection and summarise each source briefly for use in your assignment.**

Some but not more than two of the sources may be taken from the lists in Topic 4.

3.3   Please use the cover page template provided on the LMS.

3.4   The world length of the assignment is 1200 words. A bibliography, footnotes or reference list is not required. The word count of the body of the text should be stated clearly on the cover page of the assignment.

To avoid penalty, your work should be in the range 1000-1400 words. Students will be penalised 10% of the total mark for every 200 words (or part of 200 words) their work exceeds 1400 words or is less than 1000 words. For instance, if your provisional mark is 80% and the penalty is 10%, your final mark is 70%.

Further examples:

- 900 words - 10% penalty
- 1100 words - no penalty
- 1,200 words - no penalty
- 1500 words - 10% penalty.

3.5   Grading criteria: Your bibliography will be graded with reference to the following criteria:

- Justification for the relevance of a selected source
- Ability to critically and correctly analyse and summarise each source
- Ability to draw preliminary conclusions or identify topics for discovery based on the analysis of the four sources.
- Technical presentation (language, editing, compliance with instructions)

4   Research essay (60%)

4.1   A research essay of 2,300 words must be submitted on Monday, **16 February 2020 at 1300**.

Topic: *FATF and its standards have more positive than negative impact on crime and on society.* You may argue this in the positive or negative.

4.2   Please use the cover page template provided on the LMS. The essay must follow the AGCL4 style.

4.3   The world length of the assignment is 2300 words. A contents page, footnotes and a reference list of all works cited are required but they do not form part of the word count. The word count of the body of the text should be stated clearly on the cover page of the assignment.

To avoid penalty, your work should be in the range 2100-2500 words. Students will be penalised 10% of the total mark for every 200 words (or part of 200 words) their work exceeds 2500 words or is less than 2100 words. For instance, if your provisional mark is 80% and the penalty is 10%, your final mark is 70%.

Further examples:

- 2000 words - 10% penalty
- 2200 words - no penalty
- 2,400 words - no penalty
- 2600 words - 10% penalty.

Grading criteria: Your research essay will be **graded** with reference to the following criteria:

- Structure of the essay
- Quality of argument and conclusion
- Quality of research
- Presentation, referencing and compliance

5   General

5.1   It is recommended that you submit your essay a day or so earlier in order to check for similarity issues. Resubmissions take around 24 hours to have their similarity checked. Note that no resubmissions are permitted after the due date.

5.2   Note that by submitting your work via the LMS you confirm that you have read and agreed with the Statement of Student Responsibility which includes an acknowledgement of authorship and all that follows from it.

5.3   Resubmission is possible until the due date. After that, Turnitin does not accept resubmission, although original submission is still possible.

5.4   Do not lodge in iOS (Apple or Mac) Pages format. Turnitin cannot read that format. If using Pages, save it to Word or PDF before uploading the assignment.

5.5   If you are unable to submit your essay by the due date you should consult your subject coordinator beforehand to see if there are grounds for an extension. Extensions will only be given for very good reasons, normally only medical grounds or other serious interruptions in your ability to work. They are not granted for reasons that should be dealt with by a better organisation of your time and work practices. Nor are they given for reasons that were reasonably foreseeable at the time of enrolling in the subject.

5.6   An essay submitted after the due date without an extension having been granted may be penalised by the deduction of one mark awarded for each day or part thereof by which it is late. No submissions more than 7 days late will be accepted.

5.7   Plagiarism is taken extremely seriously at La Trobe University. Penalties include suspension from the University for up to three years and exclusion from the University without readmission. Plagiarism is defined and discussed in the *Academic Integrity Policy*. The Subject Learning Guide contains a hyperlink to the web site.