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Year	2018/19
Credit value	15 (150 study hours)
Delivery	UG L6, Campus-based
Reading List	View on UCL website
Tutor	Dr Darren Nesbeth
Term	Term 2
Timetable	View on UCL website

Assessment



- Coursework: 40%
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