

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: STUDY SKILLS IN THE BRITISH ENVIRONMENT
Status: Definitive
Code: **3002BELCR** (101124)
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Owning School/Faculty: Arts, Professional and Social Studies
Teaching School/Faculty: Bellerby's College - Brighton

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Academic Level: FHEQ3
Credit Value: 12.00
Total Delivered Hours: 55.00
Total Learning Hours: 120
Private Study: 65

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	55.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Coursework 1 – 1500 word researched, referenced, analytical academic essay from a topic relevant to British Culture	25.0	
Presentation	AS2	Coursework 2 – 10 minute researched, organized and analytical academic presentation, topic based on Coursework 1	75.0	

Aims

To increase the students' efficiency in their academic work through improvement of study skills, experience of the varying methodology and expectations of UK university courses and a broad understanding and critical awareness of British

culture and some of the key factors that comprise modern British society.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate the ability to select appropriate material from a wide range of sources.
- 2 Prepare a comprehensive, referenced, researched essay and presentation and deliver same in an academic style and format.
- 3 Debate and comment on arguments, opinions and viewpoints on a range of academic and British cultural topics.
- 4 Develop a basic understanding of some of the basic characteristics of the British way of life.
- 5 Listen to extended discourse and evaluate its content with some degree of critical analytical skill.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

ESSAY	1	2	3	4	5
PRESENTATION	1	2	3	4	5

Outline Syllabus

1. *Extended, academic essay of approx 1500 words, research from a range of sources and fully referenced, the topic chosen to be relevant to British Culture or the British way of life.*
2. *Research and preparation for an oral presentation lasting approximately 10 minutes and based on the same topic chosen for the extended essay.*
3. *Take an active part in debates and other forms of academic interaction in a variety of roles (chair, proposer of a motion etc).*
4. *Listening and active observation skills – the taking of notes from a lengthy academic lecture (up to 1 hour).*
5. *Discussion of a range of topics relevant to British Culture, for example, Education and youth culture, Media and literature, Social class and structure.*

Learning Activities

Interactive small class lessons with a range of coursework activities involving individual and group work.

References

Course Material	Book
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Author	Wallace, J
Publishing Year	2004
Title	Study Skills in English
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Cambridge
ISBN	9780521533850

Course Material	Book
Author	Cottrell, S
Publishing Year	2003
Title	The Study Skills Handbook
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Palgrave Macmillan, Basingstoke
ISBN	97814003911353

Course Material	Book
Author	Comfort, J and Utley, U
Publishing Year	1995
Title	Effective Presentations
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	OUP Oxford
ISBN	9780194570657

Course Material	Book
Author	Lynch, T
Publishing Year	2004
Title	Study Listening
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	CUP, Cambridge
ISBN	9780521533874

Course Material	Book
Author	Lynch, T and Anderson, K
Publishing Year	2004
Title	Study Speaking
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	CUP, Cambridge
ISBN	9780621533966

Course Material	Book
Author	Numrich, C
Publishing Year	2003

Title	Consider the Issues
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Pearson London
ISBN	9780131115934

Course Material	Book
Author	Mosback, G and Mosback, V
Publishing Year	2002
Title	Practical Faster Reading
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	CUP, Cambridge
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Collie, J and Martin, A
Publishing Year	2000
Title	What's it Like
Subtitle	Life and Culture in Britain Today
Edition	
Publisher	CUP
ISBN	9780521586623

Course Material	Book
Author	Citizenship Foundation
Publishing Year	2006
Title	Inside Britain
Subtitle	A Guide to the UK Constitution
Edition	
Publisher	Hodder Murray
ISBN	9780340929863

Notes

This module provides essential experience of academic study skills relevant to the university environment. It uses a range of tutor-assessed tasks to prepare students for the lecture hall, the seminar room and the academic conventions surrounding production of written work.