

Module Proforma

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Summary Information

Module Code	3116FNDIRP
Formal Module Title	Introduction to International Relations and Politics
Owning School	Humanities and Social Science
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 3
Grading Schema	40

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Matthew Hill	Yes	N/A

Module Team Member

Contact Name Applies to all offerings Offerings	
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Partner Module Team

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Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery	
Humanities and Social Science	

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
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Lecture	11
Workshop	33

Module Offering(s)

Offering Code	Location	Start Month	Duration
SEP-MTP	MTP	September	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

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1. To identify key issues and theories in the discipline of International Relations. 2. Provide you with the opportunity to engage with a variety of sources and tools to better understand the world.3. Encourage you to develop a methodical, analytical and critical approach to the study of International Relations.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Code	Description
MLO1	Explain issues and debates in the subject area on IR.
MLO2	Be able to assess the strengths and weaknesses of the various types of sources used by scholars and be able to apply this knowledge to future study.
MLO3	Employ the differing theories of IR in order to understand contemporary affairs.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus

Topics discussed will typically include the following: Exploring the birth of International Relations as a subject to study Applying theories to the real world Traditional IR I: Liberalism and liberal-institutionalism Traditional IR II: Realism and neo-realism Traditional IR III: English School and constructivism Critical Approaches I: Marxism and Historical Sociology Critical Approaches II: Poststructuralism and Gender

Module Overview

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Additional Information

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Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Learning Outcome Mapping
Report	500 word article review	35	0	MLO1, MLO2
Essay	1,500 word essay	65	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3