

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: INDEPENDENT LEARNING IN LAW
Status: Definitive
Code: **4002LAWFL** (107970)
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Owning School/Faculty: Law
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Academic Level: FHEQ4 **Credit Value:** 12.00 **Total Delivered Hours:** 13.00

Total Learning Hours: 120 **Private Study:** 107

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	7.000
Seminar	6.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Learning Report - 1750-2000 words	100.0	

Aims

The aim of this module is to prepare the student for the study of law by providing front-loaded guidance and analysis of approaches, techniques and methods which will enhance the performance of students and develop them as independent learners.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Develop independent learning by taking responsibility for the preparation of work for tutorials, seminars, coursework, presentations and examinations, management of personal study time and the use of a wide variety of information sources.
- 2 Develop an ability to evaluate personal performance and to identify and act upon weaknesses in learning and the use of resources.
- 3 Demonstrate an ability to present an argument in a way which is comprehensible to others and which addresses their particular concerns or questions.
- 4 Use, and to demonstrate an ability to use, standard word-processing packages, legal data bases and the internet in support of their learning.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Essay	1	2	3	4
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Outline Syllabus

Approaches to Learning.
Finding the Right Level of Motivation.
Essay Writing.
Passing Exams.
Developing Reflective Practice.

Learning Activities

Lectures, learning to learn seminars and second/third year student lead seminars.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Tom Burns and Sandra Sinfield
Publishing Year	2002
Title	Essential Study Skills
Subtitle	The Complete Guide to Success at Univeristy
Edition	1st
Publisher	SAGE
ISBN	0-7619-4958-5

Course Material	Book
Author	Strong, S I
Publishing Year	2003
Title	How to Write Law Essays
Subtitle	
Edition	1st
Publisher	Butterworths
ISBN	0-406-96402-5

Course Material	Book
Author	Cottrell, Stella
Publishing Year	2003
Title	Skills for Success
Subtitle	The Personal Development Planning Handbook
Edition	1st
Publisher	Palgrave
ISBN	1403911320

Course Material	Book
Author	Mcllroy, David
Publishing Year	2003
Title	Studying @ University
Subtitle	How to be a Successful Student
Edition	1st
Publisher	Sage Publications
ISBN	0761947078

Notes

This module develops many of the skills and awareness necessary for the successful completion of a course of study at University. It combines an opportunity to learn how to learn effectively supported by a diet of practical seminars and an evaluation of personal progress.