

Primate Social Systems

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	4212NATSCI
Formal Module Title	Primate Social Systems
Owning School	Biological and Environmental Sciences
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 4
Grading Schema	40

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Biological and Environmental Sciences

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	24
Off Site	14
Practical	6
Workshop	10

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
JAN-CTY	CTY	January	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	The module aims to provide an introduction into existing primate social systems and the processes that led to them.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Know the variety of social systems found in extant primate species.
MLO2	2	Understand evolutionary processes underlying primate social systems and behaviour.
MLO3	3	Draw comparisons between primate and other mammalian social systems.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	The syllabus will provide a basic understanding of evolutionary processes leading to the current variety of primate social systems. As such, the module will cover topics such as:• social organisation • benefits and costs of sociality• primate sexual selection• primate social behaviour • current socio-ecological models• kin selection theory
Module Overview	This module provides an introduction into existing primate social systems and the evolutionary processes that led to their development. Topics covered include social organisation, primate sexual selection, primate social behaviour and kin selection theory.
Additional Information	This module will introduce students to the variety of primate social systems and the processes that led to them. The variety of teaching styles will allow students to experience the module content in a variety of ways and to practice their first scientific skills.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Test	Portfolio of online tests	60	0	MLO2, MLO3
Centralised Exam	Exam	40	1.5	MLO2, MLO1

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Patrick Tkaczynski	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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