

# **Sociological Imaginations**

# **Module Information**

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### **Summary Information**

Module Code	4501BEASOC
Formal Module Title	Sociological Imaginations
Owning School	Humanities and Social Science
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 4
Grading Schema	40

#### **Teaching Responsibility**

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery

LJMU Partner Taught

#### **Partner Teaching Institution**

Institution Name

Beaconhouse Group

# **Learning Methods**

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	22
Tutorial	6
Workshop	11

# Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
SEP-PAR	PAR	September	12 Weeks

# **Aims and Outcomes**

Aims	<ol> <li>To provide an introduction to the formation and history of the discipline of sociology2. To develop students' understanding of the relationship of sociology to other academic disciplines.</li> <li>To demonstrate the role of social context in understanding sociological ideas and their significance4. to provide opportunities for students to engage with selected examples of the original writings of sociologists from the formative periods of the discipline</li> </ol>
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### After completing the module the student should be able to:

### **Learning Outcomes**

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Account for the rise and development of the sociological imagination in a variety of social and historical contexts
MLO2	2	Demonstrate an understanding of the 'sociological imagination and vocation', and the relationship between sociology and other academic disciplines.
MLO3	3	Make preliminary distinctions between a range of sociological perspectives and their role in understanding and contributing to social change
MLO4	4	Comprehend and comment on selections from original sociological writings

### **Module Content**

Outline Syllabus	The Sociological Imagination and other disciplines; Classical Sociologists; The Origin of the British Social Survey: From Charles Booth to Survey of Merseyside; Urbanism and Rural Life; The Chicago School of Sociology (1895-1952); Founding Mothers of Sociology: Harriet Martineau, Beatrice Webb, Jane Addams and Charlotte Perkins Gilman; Sociology and the Great War and the Russian Revolution; Rise of Structural Functionalism; British Sociology in the 1950's; After the Crisis (1973-)
Module Overview	
Additional Information	Through a history of sociology, explored through its major thinkers and their texts and activities, from the origins of the discipline to modern times, the module investigates the nature of the sociological vocation and the range of sociological imaginations developed by individual sociological thinkers and institutional schools of sociology to explore how sociology both reflects and critically engages with its social and cultural context and major historical events and processes, which it seeks to understand and often seeks to change. The ways in which sociology draws on, but also distances itself from, other forms of knowing, including theological, literary, biological, historical, psychological and visual imaginations, is kept in mind throughout and encountered in the selected texts on the module.

#### **Assessments**

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Portfolio	2000 Word Essay	50	0	MLO2, MLO3
Exam	Exam	50	2	MLO1, MLO4

### **Module Contacts**

**Module Leader** 

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Sara Parker	Yes	N/A

#### Partner Module Team