# **Liverpool** John Moores University

Title: SAFEGUARDING, ADVOCACY, LAW AND CHILDREN'S

**RIGHTS** 

Status: Definitive but changes made

Code: **5003WCYP** (100644)

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Owning School/Faculty: Nursing and Allied Health Teaching School/Faculty: Nursing and Allied Health

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ5 Value: 24.00 Delivered 60.00

**Hours:** 

Total Private

Learning 240 Study: 180

Hours:

**Delivery Options** 

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	50.000
Tutorial	10.000

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

#### **Assessment Details**

Category	Short	Description	Weighting	Exam
	Description		(%)	Duration
Essay	AS1	Coursework (Written Assignment - 3000 words) (Critical Examination of Safeguarding Policies and Strategies)	50.0	
Report	AS2	Coursework (Observational Study)	50.0	

#### **Aims**

To examine critically formal strategies, structures, child care legislation and professional perspectives and the ways in which they safeguard, empower, oppress

and marginalise children.

To enable students explore and examine critically the concept of power within the areas of child protection and the application of children's rights.

To examine critically the application of children's rights nationally and globally.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Have an indepth knowledge and understanding of the principles and values underpinning the safeguarding of children.
- 2 Identify and discuss critically legal and professional strategies, which are meant to protect children.
- Understand and discuss critically the underlining principles and values of children's rights within national and global contexts.
- 4 Demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of the skills required in relation to the application of children's rights including, advocacy.
- Identify the issues and factors that impact negatively on the lives of children and young people and the legal and professional strategies that empower and protect.
- Examine the role children play in the formulation of policies and in decisions that affect directly and indirectly the quality of their lives, physically, emotionally, socially and educationally.

#### **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

Written Assignment 1 2 5 6

Observational Study 3 4 6

#### **Outline Syllabus**

Child care legislation (Children Act 1989 and the Children Act 2004), UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, power, gender, social exclusion, empowerment, disempowerment, child abuse and neglect, Every Child Matters (5 national outcomes), Assessment Framework, Working Together, voice of the child in children's rights, effective advocacy.

# **Learning Activities**

Through a combination of lectures, small group discussions, seminars, this module will enable students gain an understanding of and insight into the field of safeguarding children including, relevant child care legislation, children's rights and advocacy. Lectures will have brief but focused inputs throughout to enable students gain a knowledge and an understanding of the issues/factors involved in

safeguarding children. All lectures are interactive throughout, including one-to-one discussions, small group discussions, question and answer sessions, DVD and Powerpoint facilitated exploration sessions.

# References

Course Material	Book
Author	Alderson, P.
Publishing Year	2000
Title	Young Children's Rights: Exploring Beliefs, Principles and
	Practice
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: Jessica Kingsley
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Backett, C.
Publishing Year	2003
Title	Child Protection: An Introduction
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: Sage
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Department for Education and Skills
Publishing Year	2003
Title	Every Child Matters
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: The Stationery Office
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Department of Health
Publishing Year	1989
Title	The Care of Children: Principles and Practice in
	Regulations and Guidance
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: Her Majesty's Stationery Office
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Department of Health
Publishing Year	2000

Title	Framework for the Assessment of Children in Need and their Famnilies
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: The Stationery Office
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Department for Children, Schools and Families
Publishing Year	2010
Title	Working Together to Safeguard Children - A Guide to Inter-
	Agency Working to Safeguard and Promote the Welfareof
	Children
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Nottingham: DCSF Publications
ISBN	

Course Material	Reports
Author	Munro, E.
Publishing Year	2010
Title	The Munro Review of Child Protection - Part 1: A Systems
	Analysis
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: Department of Education
ISBN	

Course Material	Reports
Author	Munro, E.
Publishing Year	2011
Title	The Munro Review of Child Protection - Interim Report:
	The Child's Journey
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: Department of Education
ISBN	

Course Material	Reports
Author	Munro, E.
<b>Publishing Year</b>	2011
Title	The Munro Review of Child Protection - Final Report: A
	Child-Centred System
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: The Stationery Office
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Frost, N. and Parton, N.
Publishing Year	2009
Title	Understanding Children's Social Care - Politics, Policy and
	Practice
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: Sage
ISBN	

### **Notes**

The focus of this module is to enable students examine critically the formal policies, structures and legislation surrounding the safeguarding of children including, children's rights under the UN Convention and the way these rights are interpreted by national governments.