

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: DATA STRUCTURES AND ALGORITHMS  
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**Academic Level:** FHEQ5      **Credit Value:** 20      **Total Delivered Hours:** 57  
**Total Learning Hours:** 200      **Private Study:** 143

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Workshop	55

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Artefacts	AS1	Design and implementation of software	40	
Exam	AS2	Examination	60	2

### Aims

*This is a practical, applied Software Engineering module with the aim of introducing the student to the fundamentals of Abstract Data Types and complexity of operations on ADTs followed by an implementation-based exploration of common data structures and operations, their implementations and applications*

### Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Explain a range of fundamental data structures and their operations
- 2 Analyse fundamental algorithms' complexity as applied to a range of ADT implementations
- 3 Evaluate data structures in a given problem domain
- 4 Implement standard ADTs using both primitive language and library resources
- 5 Synthesise appropriate algorithms and data structures to fulfil a problem specification

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Implementation of software	3	4	5
Examination	1	2	

## Outline Syllabus

*Abstract Data Types and common implementation strategies:*

*Linear ADTs:*

*Lists (Arrays, Linked Lists)*

*Stacks, Queues*

*Non-Linear ADTs:*

*Trees, Binary Trees, BSTs*

*Maps (ListMaps, BSTMaps, HashMaps)*

*Graphs*

*Algorithms for structure operations; insert, remove, retrieval*

*Algorithms for structure navigation; search and sort*

*Algorithm types: iterative and recursive*

*Relationship between ADTs and computing fundamentals (e.g. Stack, Queue)*

*Use of Big O notation to specify time complexity for simple algorithms*

*Using a program debugger to monitor program state, and halt/control execution as required.*

*Use of a program debugger to inspect the call stack and stack frames*

## Learning Activities

Workshops, Directed Study Tasks

This module will have online practical.

## Notes

This module is a technical, skills-focused module. It will require previous experience in programming. It will build on existing programming-based skills such as problem / functional decomposition and the use of an IDE to develop and test programs. Basic

operational familiarity with a debugger will be assumed but reinforced and built on during this module.