

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Reporting UK Politics  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **5031JOURN** (123555)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Liverpool Screen School  
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**Academic Level:** FHEQ5  
**Credit Value:** 20  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 50  
**Total Learning Hours:** 200  
**Private Study:** 150

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	24
Seminar	24

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Exam	Exam	Exam - 2 hours	50	2
Essay	Essay	Essay - Project on the reporting of Politics - 2000 words	50	

### Aims

- 1. Knowledge and understanding of the structures and powers of UK national and local/regional government*
- 2. Be able to critically evaluate the main issues and debates in the reporting of politics in the UK*
- 3. Be able to analyse the coverage and the reporting of politics*

## Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate knowledge of the structures and powers of different levels of governance in the UK, including national, local/regional/devolved and international, and the relationship between these different levels
- 2 Demonstrate knowledge and critical awareness of the main debates and issues in UK
- 3 Demonstrate a critical understanding of the main debates, issues and criticisms - including the use of theoretical concepts - over the reporting of UK politics across all major media
- 4 Critically evaluate the reporting of politics in case studies, including the use of research methods for qualitative and quantitative analysis

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Exam	1	2
Essay - 2000 Words	3	4

## Outline Syllabus

*The main tiers that affect government in the UK at the local/regional/devolved, national and international levels and how these impact on the politics of the country. Identifying the main types of political reporting in different media and evaluate claims, through the study of data and application of theoretical concepts, that these in turn affect political outcomes. Understand the main criticisms and debates over the reporting of politics in different media, including social media. Research techniques in evaluating data from specific case studies of the reporting of politics in the UK.*

## Learning Activities

Lectures and seminars

## Notes

Students will gain knowledge and understanding of the different structures and powers of governance affecting the UK and be able to critically evaluate the reporting of politics in a wide range of media, and the impact this reporting has on the political processes, including elections.