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Summary Information

Module Code	5033CRWRI
Formal Module Title	Approaching Your Novel
Owning School	Liverpool Screen School
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 5
Grading Schema	40

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Caroline Smailes	Yes	N/A

Module Team Member

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Partner Module Team		

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Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery	
Liverpool Screen School	

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
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Lecture	19
Seminar	24
Tutorial	3

Module Offering(s)

Offering Code	Location	Start Month	Duration
JAN-MTP	МТР	January	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims 1. To distinguish between the different techniques necessary for the writing of a novel as compared to a short story;2. To develop an understanding of generic forms of the novel;3. To develop an understanding of the market for the proposed novel;4. To foster independent writing ability with peer workshop support;5. To provide practice in the production of work in a form acceptable to the publishing world.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Code	Description
MLO1	Demonstrate awareness of the necessary techniques of novel writing;
MLO2	Produce a proposal for the writing of a novel;
MLO3	Write and revise the opening chapter of a novel;
MLO4	Place your novel in terms of genre and market;
MLO5	Contribute effectively to a workshop group

Module Content

Outline Syllabus

Students will learn how books are proposed to publishers, how to write a proposal for a novel and how to write an opening chapter of a novel. Students will study good and bad examples of opening chapters, learning some of the key techniques involved, and will also study the differences between a short story and an opening chapter. The creative process will be examined and we will consider the way a writer creates a novel.

Module Overview

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Additional Information

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Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Learning Outcome Mapping
Essay	1500 Word Essay	40	0	MLO4, MLO2, MLO5
Portfolio	2000 word Portfolio	60	0	MLO3, MLO1