

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Research Paper in International Relations and Politics  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **5101IRP** (126587)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science  
Teaching School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science

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**Academic Level:** FHEQ5      **Credit Value:** 20      **Total Delivered Hours:** 35  
**Total Learning Hours:** 200      **Private Study:** 165

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Online	2
Tutorial	33

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Research Paper (4500 words)	100	

### Aims

1. To enable a student to undertake an in-depth and defined research paper on a topic arising from studies undertaken in another module or modules at Level 5.
2. To develop student's ability to plan, implement and complete a substantial piece of written work under the guidance of a supervisor who has subject expertise.
3. To develop student's ability of students to critically engage and analyse a range of sources in a clear and articulate manner.

## Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Define an International Relations and Politics problem and analyse it with appropriate depth and clarity.
- 2 Demonstrate in-depth specialised and critical knowledge of a specific IR and Politics topic along with the academic debates relating to it.
- 3 Present an articulate and coherent argument with appropriate detail in a written format

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Research Paper (4500 words)	1	2	3
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## Outline Syllabus

*Students will write a 4500 word research paper on a topic discussed in one of the modules taken in either Semester 1 or Semester 2 of Level 5. Students will be allocated an appropriate supervisor according to their subject specialism. The research paper has to be on a different topic to the written assignment submitted in the designated module.*

## Learning Activities

Tutorials

## Notes

This module provides students the opportunity to develop an in-depth understanding of a particular topic in IR and Politics, and enables them to develop the necessary research skills in preparation for their L6 dissertation.