

## Liverpool John Moores University

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Title: Issues in Global Politics  
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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:** 37  
**Total Learning Hours:** 200      **Private Study:** 163

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

| Component | Contact Hours |
|-----------|---------------|
| Lecture   | 11            |
| Online    | 2             |
| Tutorial  | 11            |
| Workshop  | 11            |

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

| Category | Short Description | Description      | Weighting (%) | Exam Duration |
|----------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Essay    | AS1               | 2000 word essay  | 50            |               |
| Exam     | AS2               | 2 hour seen exam | 50            | 2             |

### Aims

1. Examine a number of the global issues that make the contemporary world complicated.
2. Explore these issues, including their historical roots to understand the world we

*live in, and in proposing solutions.*

*3. This module continues your political development by supporting you to work out your positions on these issues.*

## **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Explain and analyse key issues in contemporary global politics
- 2 Breakdown the differing and competing explanations for the existence of these issues
- 3 Analyse and compare existing solutions to these issues in supporting the development of your own positions
- 4 Identify and reflect upon personal political development through working out your positions on these issues

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

|                 |   |   |   |   |
|-----------------|---|---|---|---|
| 2000 word essay | 1 | 2 |   |   |
| Seen exam       | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

## **Outline Syllabus**

*The module would typically include some of the following topics; others will be added as new issues arise.*

- *The legacy of colonialism*
- *Climate Change and Global Warming*
- *Neo-liberal Free Trade; a force for good or bad?*
- *Human rights, their violation and how to respond*
- *Did the revolutions work: the Arab Spring*
- *Conflict, development and democratisation in developing states*
- *Intractable conflict: Palestine/Israel, Northern Ireland*
- *Did the 'War on Terror' work?*
- *The rise of China as an alternative political system and as a competitor to the US*
- *Refugees, Europe and Brexit*

## **Learning Activities**

Lectures, workshops and tutorials

## **Notes**

Today's world is a complicated place. The aim of this module is to pick out a number of the global issues that make the contemporary world complicated. This module explores these issues, including their historical roots in order to better understand the world we live in, the proposed solutions and what we think should happen. This process continues your political development by supporting you to work out your positions on these issues. The seen exam question will ask students to propose and justify a solution to a world issue discussed in the module in opposition to other proposed alternatives.