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Title: Researching British Society
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Owning School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science
Teaching School/Faculty: Beaconhouse IC Islamabad

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Academic Level: FHEQ5 **Credit Value:** 20 **Total Delivered Hours:** 40.5
Total Learning Hours: 200 **Private Study:** 159.5

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	11
Seminar	2
Workshop	26

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Report	AS1	Research Report 3000 Words	70	
Exam	AS2	1.5 Hour Exam	30	1.5

Aims

1. To appraise the value of a number of univariate and bivariate manipulations of a secondary dataset;
2. To carry out appropriate univariate and bivariate analyses of a large dataset using

a statistical computer package (SPSS), and,

3. To use these skills to generate sociological arguments based upon a large dataset

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 1. Understand the merits and limitations of researching British society/societies using survey-generated quantitative data;
- 2 2. Carry out appropriate univariate and bivariate analyses of variables in a large quantitative dataset;
- 3 3. Draw out and make sociological arguments based upon secondary data analysis of the large dataset, and,
- 4 4. Write a research report based upon this analysis.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Report	2	3	4
Exam	1		

Outline Syllabus

Measuring society using survey data;

Exploring variables and recoding data;

Univariate analysis;

Bivariate analysis;

Generating arguments based upon analysis of variables.

Learning Activities

Lectures, Seminars, Computer Workshops.

Notes

The module will have students understand, evaluate and analyse the merits and shortcomings of secondary data analysis of a large quantitative dataset, downloadable from the UK Data Archive.