

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **5506PSYSLI** (127500)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Psychology  
Teaching School/Faculty: Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology

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**Academic Level:** FHEQ5      **Credit Value:** 20      **Total Delivered Hours:** 42

**Total Learning Hours:** 200      **Private Study:** 158

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	30
Online	2
Tutorial	5
Workshop	3

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	Essay	Essay to focus on one of the three major areas in the module: health; social; forensic psychology.	50	
Exam	Exam	Exam questions to focus on two of the three major areas in the module: health; social; forensic psychology.	50	2

### Aims

1. To introduce students to the psychology of risk-taking behaviours and threat assessment in the context of health, digital communication and crime.
2. To develop students' ability to evaluate risk-taking behaviours and threat assessment in applied psychology from multiple perspectives.
3. To facilitate students' personal and educational development through structured and supported tutorials.

## Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Evaluate risk-taking behaviours and threats from multiple perspectives in applied psychology.
- 2 Describe and evaluate how research in health psychology, social psychology and forensic psychology can be applied to the contemporary world.

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Essay	1
Exam	2

## Outline Syllabus

*Risky health behaviour: sexual behaviour, eating behaviour, substance use, physical activity, psychological approaches to reducing healthy behaviour.*

*Self and others in the digital age: self efficacy, self-esteem, non-verbal communication, multi-tasking, psychological approaches to promoting online safety.*

*Crime and conflict: terrorism, terrorism and the media, cybercrime, psychological approaches to crime prevention*

## Learning Activities

Lectures  
Workshops  
Tutorials  
Tutor-led discussion board

## Notes

The module covers three applied domains in psychology: health psychology (risky health behaviour), social psychology (self and others in the digital age) and forensic psychology (crime and conflict). Each topic is covered from multiple perspectives.

