

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: CHILD CARE AND CHILD PROTECTION  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **6001LAWFAM** (107681)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Law  
Teaching School/Faculty: Law

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**Academic Level:** FHEQ6  
**Credit Value:** 24  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 40  
**Total Learning Hours:** 240  
**Private Study:** 200

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	24
Seminar	16

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Report on the Effectiveness of Law and Procedures	50	
Essay	AS2	Application of law to case study	50	

### Aims

*To provide an introduction to the child care system*

*Through use of reports shown the development of child care law, practice and policy in relation to child protection.*

*To provide a critical overview of the law, practices and procedures.*

*To consider the various responses that have been made to the problem of child abuse.*

## **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Appreciation of the definition, forms and extent of child abuse.
- 2 Knowledge of policies, practice and legal regulation of child protection.
- 3 Knowledge of legal proceedings, including evidence issues.
- 4 Demonstrate an ability to apply gained legal knowledge to complex problems, to reflect upon and evaluate this application and to draw logical reasoned conclusions that are supported by argument and legal authority (L);
- 5 Demonstrate an ability to select key research issues and to identify relevant primary and secondary sources of information (L);
- 6 Demonstrate an awareness of the impact of law on other disciplines including politics, sociology, economics and ethics

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

Essay 1	1	2	5	6
Essay 2	2	3	4	

## **Outline Syllabus**

*Child Abuse - definition, recognition, statistics.*

*The Child Protection System of England and Wales, as developed through Working Together to Safeguard Children.*

*Evaluation of the system in the light of inquiry reports*

*The Civil and Criminal Law relating to Child Protection. (Children Act 1989),*

*Local Authority statutory support obligations, rights to bring emergency orders, care and supervision orders.*

*Children in and leaving care, statutory obligations*

*Adoption and long term care options*

## **Learning Activities**

The Module will be taught by delivery of lectures and through small groups in seminars.

## **Notes**

To review law procedure and practice in relation to child protection by considering recent legislation, Children Act 1989 and The Children Act 2004 and the procedures

and practices established under it.