

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: DISSERTATION
Status: Definitive
Code: **6002POLIT** (114688)
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Owning School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science
Teaching School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science

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Academic Level: FHEQ6
Credit Value: 24.00
Total Delivered Hours: 14.00
Total Learning Hours: 240
Private Study: 226

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Seminar	2.000
Tutorial	12.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Research Proposal	10.0	
Dissertation	AS2	Dissertation - 9,000 words	90.0	

Aims

*To develop research skills in the area of Politics.
To permit students to undertake an independent learning activity over a year-long period.
To provide the opportunity to gain deeper knowledge and understanding within a specified area of Politics.*

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate competence in the evaluation and presentation of primary and/or secondary information within the context of specified research objectives.
- 2 Show knowledge and understanding of the linkages between theory and empirical evidence.
- 3 Show evidence of independent learning and the ability to present clearly structured, accurately referenced, and critically aware work.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Research Proposal	1		
Dissertation	1	2	3

Outline Syllabus

*Research Design: Developing hypotheses, refining research questions.
Supervised private study.
Oral presentation of findings.*

Learning Activities

Introductory seminars.
Private study - research under supervision.
Concluding seminars - oral presentation of research findings.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Alison, B. & Race, P.
Publishing Year	2004
Title	The Student's Guide to Preparing Dissertations and Theses
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London, Routledge.
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Sapsford, R. & Jupp, V. (eds).
Publishing Year	1996
Title	Data Collection and Analysis

Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London, Sage.
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Turabian, K. L.
Publishing Year	1996
Title	A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses and Dissertations
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Chicago, Chicago Univerisity Press.
ISBN	

Notes

The dissertation provides students with the opportunity to engage in an extended piece of research within the field of politics.