

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Self Directed Major Project
Status: Definitive
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Owning School/Faculty: Liverpool School of Art & Design
Teaching School/Faculty: Liverpool School of Art & Design

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Academic Level: FHEQ6 **Credit Value:** 48.00 **Total Delivered Hours:** 160.00
Total Learning Hours: 480 **Private Study:** 320

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	4.000
Practical	100.000
Seminar	6.000
Tutorial	4.000
Workshop	46.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Artefacts	AS1		80.0	
Report	AS2		20.0	

Aims

The module aims to enable students to develop and sustain an extended personal programme of work which synthesises their knowledge and experience. It should

demonstrate the ability to direct and manage own learning, provide the opportunity to engage in current debates within contemporary professional design practice and enable students to demonstrate a level of critical judgement, understanding and decision making.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate an in-depth professional and critical understanding of a contemporary design area
- 2 Demonstrate a high level of critical judgement in the selection, assessment and interpretation of research materials
- 3 Demonstrate a high level of independent decision making within the design process
- 4 Evidence the ability to organise and author a technical project document in-line with industry standard requirements

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Design project	1	2	3
Project report	4		

Outline Syllabus

Research skills
Generating relevant project areas
Project planning and management skills
Negotiating assistance
Evaluating results
Design decision making
Communication

Learning Activities

This module will be delivered predominantly via a combination of scheduled tutorials, group seminars, peer review events and occasional lectures. The topic each student investigates will be negotiated with the module tutor and other staff as appropriate. The topic should reflect the student's overall programme of study and areas of personal or career interest. The project will be reviewed at a number of key stages aligned to the design process, ensuring progression and that agreed objectives are met.

Notes

The final self-directed project acts as a conclusion to the programme and as such it enables students to continue in the development of a more personalised programme of study, supporting personal careers aspirations and directions. It expands the concept of students synthesising their learning experience from across the programme in order to show new relationships and to develop their own perspectives. The module also provides an opportunity for students to initiate engagement with industry over an extended period, providing valuable experience of a potential career direction.