

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: THE UNITED NATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL SECURITY
Status: Definitive
Code: **6008LAWPL** (116050)
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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: 36

Total Learning Hours: 240
Private Study: 204

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	16
Seminar	8
Tutorial	12

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Coursework 3,000 word essay	50	
Essay	AS2	Coursework 3,000 word essay	50	

Aims

The module seeks to introduce students to the work of the United Nations on the maintenance and restoration of international peace and security. Upon completion of the module, students will have an understanding of the legal framework which governs the work of the UN in this area, and be aware of the influence of political factors upon the operation of this framework.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate a critical understanding of the theoretical debates that exist in respect of the concept of collective security
- 2 Demonstrate a critical understanding of the practice of collective security throughout the League of Nations and United Nations eras
- 3 Demonstrate familiarity with relevant provisions of the UN Charter, so far as they regulate its activities in the field of international peace and security and relations with other organisations
- 4 Demonstrate a critical awareness of areas of controversy and current debate concerning the role of the United Nations in peace and security issues
- 5 Undertake independent study and locate relevant source materials
- 6 Effectively use I.T resources for the purposes of research and writing the assessed pieces of work

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

essay	1	2	5	6
essay	3	4	5	6

Outline Syllabus

The Theory of Collective Security
The League of Nations
The United Nations Charter Framework
Overview of UN History
Diplomacy and the UN Secretary-General
Non-Military Sanctions
Peacekeeping
Military Enforcement Action
Regional Arrangements and the United Nations
UN Reform Proposals

Learning Activities

8 lectures
4 seminars
2 individual student tutorials

Notes

The role played by the United Nations in the maintenance of international peace and

security is both an interesting and controversial issue. In light of much recent international conflict, the module is very topical and likely to evolve constantly with changes in the international political climate. The module adopts an interdisciplinary approach, considering not only the legal rules which govern UN activity, but also the impact of political factors upon the work of the UN. The module is likely to be of special appeal to those with interests in international affairs, politics or history.