

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Victimology  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **6013LAWCJ** (121476)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Justice Studies  
Teaching School/Faculty: Justice Studies

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**Academic Level:** FHEQ6  
**Credit Value:** 20  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 29  
**Total Learning Hours:** 200  
**Private Study:** 171

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	12
Seminar	12
Workshop	5

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	essay	2500 word essay	50	
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### Aims

*The overall aim of this module is to develop a more meaningful understanding of victims of crime and to critically explore their role and experiences within the criminal justice system. The module seeks to help students develop a critical appreciation of the conceptual development of victims and victimology as an academic discipline. It also aims to evaluate notions of victimhood and explore challenges for victim service provision. The lectures, seminars, and reading for the module will encourage*

*engagement with competing understandings of victimhood and will seek to prompt students to begin to critically analyse learning material. Placing victims within their appropriate socio-political context will also ensure that students develop a full appreciation of, not only diverse victim experiences, but also the dynamic and multifaceted challenges facing the criminal justice system in providing satisfactory service for them.*

## **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate a theoretical understanding of the processes of victimisation
- 2 Analyse the experiences and impact of criminal victimisation
- 3 Critically evaluate the responses of criminal justice to victims of crime

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

2500 word essay	1	2	3
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## **Outline Syllabus**

- . *Victims of Crime: An Historical Perspective*
- . *Theoretical Perspectives on Victimisation*
- . *The Social Construction of Victims and Victimhood*
- . *Surviving Victimhood: The Impact of Feminism*
- . *Ideological Trends within the Victims Movement: An International Perspective*
- . *The Victim in Court*
- . *The Victim and Restorative Justice*
- . *Gender and Victimisation*
- . *Race and Victimisation*
- . *Victims of Violent Crime*
- . *Victims of Sexual Crime*
- . *Victims of White-Collar and Corporate Crime*
- . *Secondary Victimisation*
- . *Cultural Victimology*
- . *News Media, Victims and Crime*
- . *The Public Perception and Acceptance of Victims*
- . *Module Overview and Future Trends*

## **Learning Activities**

Lectures  
Seminars  
Online drop-in sessions

## **Notes**

The study of criminal victimization has developed to such an extent that Victimology is now regarded as a central component to the study of criminology and criminal justice. This course will provide a comprehensive overview of the key themes and debates relating to victimization today.