Liverpool John Moores University

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Owning School/Faculty: Liverpool Business School
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Academic Level:	FHEQ6	Credit Value:	12.00	Total Delivered Hours:	26.00
Total Learning Hours:	120	Private Study:	94		

Delivery Options
Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Seminar	24.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Presentation	AS1	Coursework: 1 individual seminar presentation	40.0	
Exam	AS2	Examination: 1 essay in target language	60.0	2.00

Aims

To provide students with an opportunity to critically analyse a range of key aspects of the French political,social,economic and cultural contemporary scene, both from a historic and more recent perspective.
To consider and evaluate the implications of rapid globalisation and European integration on French Society's changing role.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

1 demonstrate critical in-depth knowledge and understanding of selected key aspects of the french social, political, economic and cultural contemporary scene.
2 evaluate the impact of increasing globalisation on France's traditional values.
3 use their linguistic skills to an advanced level and apply them appropriately to the above context as required from professionals dealing/working within an international context.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

20mns individual presentation	1	2	3
2hr EXAM	1	2	3

Outline Syllabus

The module is taught in French and will adopt a thematic approach (approx 4 weeks per main topic):
1. La Société française à la recherche d'une nouvelle identité
2. La France, l'Europe et le Monde
3. La vie culturelle
4. La vie politique
5. Actualités économiques et sociales

Learning Activities

Seminars & interactive sessions in French
student led seminars and presentations

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Dirn, L
Publishing Year	1998
Title	'La Société Française en Tendances'
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	PUF, Paris
ISBN	

Course Material	Book

Author	Marks, J / Mc Caffrey E
Publishing Year	2002
Title	'French Cultural Debates'
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Associated University Press
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Girling, J
Publishing Year	1998
Title	'France: Political and Social Change'
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Routledge
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Howarth, D / Varouxakis, G
Publishing Year	2003
Title	'Contemporary France'
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Arnold, London
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Fremy, D.M.
Publishing Year	2006
Title	
Subtitle	'Quid 2007'
Edition	
Publisher	Laffont, Paris
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Laudet, C / Cox, R.
Publishing Year	1995
Title	'Le Peuple de France Aujourd'hui'
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Manchester University Press, Manchester
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Laudet, C / Cox, R.
Publishing Year	1995

Title	'La Vie Politique en France'
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Manchester University Press, Manchester
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Mermet, G.
Publishing Year	2006
Title	'Francoscopie'
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Larousse, Paris
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Potel, J.Y.
Publishing Year	2006
Title	'L'état de la France'
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	La Découverte, Paris
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Journals: 'Les cahiers français; Problèmes économiques; Regards sur l'Actualité L'Express;
Publishing Year	0
Title	Le Nouvel observateur, Le Nouvel Economiste
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	
ISBN	

Notes

The module gives the students an opportunity to study French political, socio-economic and cultural aspects of France and to evaluate the impact of increasing European integration and globalisation on traditional French values and attitudes.