

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Merseyside Labour: A History of Trade Unionism and the Labour Movement on Merseyside, 1850s-1990s
Status: Definitive
Code: **6018HIST** (119229)
Version Start Date: 01-08-2012

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: 35.00
Total Learning Hours: 240
Private Study: 205

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	16.000
Seminar	8.000
Workshop	8.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	2000 word essay	40.0	
Exam	AS2	Unseen exam	60.0	3.00

Aims

- 1. To critically examine the historical development of the trade union and labour movement on Merseyside from the mid-nineteenth century to the late twentieth century.*
- 2. To situate this development within its wider national/international context.*
- 3. To critically analyse this development in the context of key historiographical debates within the field of labour history.*

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically analyse the historical development of trade unions and the labour movement on Merseyside.
- 2 Evaluate the development of the trade union and labour movement on Merseyside within a national and international framework.
- 3 Display a sound understanding of key concepts and theories within the field of labour history, and be able to apply them appropriately to a local study.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Essay, 2000 Words	3
Exam	1 2

Outline Syllabus

The development of trade unions and the Labour Party in Britain c. 1850-1914
Key concepts and debates: Webbian foundations and the New labour History
The Merseyside working class and trade unions 1850-1914: Case studies
The development of the Labour Party in Liverpool and Merseyside before 1914
The impact of two World Wars and the Great Depression 1914-45
Welfare state and trade union consolidation: 'You've never had it so good'? 1945-1979
Merseyside in Crisis: Thatcherism, de-industrialisation and political and industrial conflict, 1979-98

Learning Activities

This module uses a combination of lectures, seminars and workshops.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Davies, S.
Publishing Year	1996
Title	Liverpool Labour
Subtitle	Social and Political Influences on the Development of the Labour Party in Liverpool, 1900-1939
Edition	

Publisher	Keele University Press
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Taplin, E.
Publishing Year	1985
Title	The Dockers' Union
Subtitle	A Study of the National Union of Dock Labourers, 1889-1922
Edition	
Publisher	Leicester University Press
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Worley, M. (ed.)
Publishing Year	2009
Title	The Foundations of the British Labour Party
Subtitle	Identities, Cultures and Perspectives, 1900-39
Edition	
Publisher	Ashgate
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Allen, J., Campbell, A. and McIlroy, J. (eds.)
Publishing Year	2010
Title	Histories of Labour
Subtitle	National and International Perspectives
Edition	
Publisher	Pontypool, Merlin Press
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Davies, S.
Publishing Year	2012
Title	The Liverpool General Transport Strike 1911
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Pontypool, Merlin Press
ISBN	

Notes

This module aims to give students a thorough grounding in the field of nineteenth/twentieth-century labour history through the study of the development of the labour and trade union movement on Merseyside.