# **Liverpool** John Moores University

Title: APPLICATIONS OF GENETICS IN HEALTH AND DISEASE

Status: Definitive

Code: **6025NATSCI** (120892)

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Owning School/Faculty: Natural Sciences & Psychology Teaching School/Faculty: Natural Sciences & Psychology

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ6 Value: 24 Delivered 52

**Hours:** 

Total Private

Learning 240 Study: 188

**Hours:** 

**Delivery Options** 

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours	
Lecture	28	
Practical	20	
Workshop	2	

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

#### **Assessment Details**

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Exam	Exam	Exam	50	2
Report	Practical	Practical	50	

### **Aims**

This module aims to investigate how genetics and genomics can be used to understand a range of physiological processes in health and disease.

## **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Evaluate how genomics can be used in personalised medicine, cancer, epigenetics and regenerative medicine.
- 2 Discuss the genetic mechanisms involved in regulating physiological processes such as ageing, development, cancer and behaviour.
- 3 Critically evaluate the role of microbiota in regulating human and animal health and the techniques that can be used to understand these bacterial species.

### **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

Final Exam 1 2 3

Practical Report 3

## **Outline Syllabus**

The role of genetics and genomics in understanding major physiological processes such as cancer, behaviour, development and ageing will be discussed as well as how epigenetics and resident bacterial microflora (which is itself shaped by an individual's immunity and hence genetics) may alter these processes. The aims and learning outcomes of this module will be addressed through a series of lectures that reflect the contemporary research interests of individual staff members.

### **Learning Activities**

This module will be delivered using a combination of lectures, practicals and a workshop.

#### **Notes**

This module provides students with an appreciation of some modern genetic and genomic techniques that are regularly used in studies of health and disease.

It is highly recommended that students should attend Genes and Genomes (5013NATSCI) before taking this module.