

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Evolution of Glacial, Fluvial and Karst Landscapes
Status: Definitive
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Owning School/Faculty: Sports Studies, Leisure and Nutrition
Teaching School/Faculty: Sports Studies, Leisure and Nutrition

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Academic Level: FHEQ6
Credit Value: 24
Total Delivered Hours: 49
Total Learning Hours: 240
Private Study: 191

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	30
Off Site	12
Online	6

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	Ass 1		50	
Exam	Ass 2		20	1
Report	Ass 3		30	

Aims

To allow students to understand the erosional and depositional processes operating in glacial, fluvial and karst environments and to understand the cause of the geomorphic landscapes created by such processes.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically evaluate glacial processes and landforms over a range of timescales and synthesise the relationships between process and form;
- 2 Critically evaluate how caves and karst landscapes form and be able to synthesise the relationships between surface limestone landscapes, the underground development of cave systems, past and current geological processes and the development of karst landscapes.
- 3 Critically evaluate fluvial processes and landforms over a range of timescales and synthesise the relationships between process and form

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Essay 3000 words	1
On-line Exam	2
Field Report 2000 words	3

Outline Syllabus

Mass balance, glacier dynamics and the mechanisms of ice flow; the processes and landforms of glacial erosion; glacial debris transport and deposition; supraglacial, englacial and subglacial processes; landscapes of glacial deposition; glacial hydrological systems, processes and deposition; glaciogenic, glacial lake and glacio-marine processes, sediments and landforms; the drainage basin and how runoff and river flow is generated. It uses practical fieldwork to demonstrate modern techniques deployed by fluvial geomorphologists to investigate the processes and landforms in drainage basins. The impact of human activity on drainage basins.

Geomorphology of karst processes, including weathering of limestones; hydrology in karst areas, development of karren, pavements and glacio-karst landforms, development of cave systems (phreatic and vadose systems), flowstone formation, cave sedimentation.

Learning Activities

Lectures; fieldwork; use of on-line virtual field guides; VLE; on-line support.

Notes

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