

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Dissertation: Proposition and Development  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **6100CRIM** (122282)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Justice Studies  
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**Academic Level:** FHEQ6  
**Credit Value:** 20  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 12  
**Total Learning Hours:** 200  
**Private Study:** 188

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	3
Online	4
Tutorial	2
Workshop	3

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Dissertation Proposal 3,000 words	100	

### Aims

1. Develop a systematic understanding of the literature relevant to the object of study
2. Critically evaluate the theoretical literature in the chosen area with respect to its relevance to the object of study

3. Explore the epistemological, methodological and ethical underpinnings of the study

## Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Examine critically the literature in their chosen field.
- 2 Critically interrogate the relationship between theory and method and their applicability to the object of study
- 3 Critically assess and consider the ethical implications of the research.

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Dissertation Proposal	2	1	3
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## Outline Syllabus

*The module will allow students to choose and develop a research topic which, subject to the feasibility of the proposal, will be developed by the student. This will encompass a literature review, a theoretical framework and a critical consideration of epistemology, methodology and methods. This will be done in conjunction with an allocated supervisor who will see the student for three supervision sessions in the course of the semester which will be augmented by three more general lectures.*

## Learning Activities

Lectures, note taking, one-to one supervision meetings, structured activity arising from the feedback in supervision meetings, structured use of library and other research resources,

## Notes

The module is concerned with ensuring that students lay down a firm foundation in terms of literature review, theoretical framework and methodology/methods for the Dissertation module in Semester 2. Therefore, the module is designed to enhance the research and analytical skills of students and to encourage them to be proactive, independent learners through developing a dissertation proposition which either adds to or challenges existing criminological research in their chosen area. This module will provide the base on which students can build towards their dissertation.