

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Media Law
Status: Definitive
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Owning School/Faculty: Law
Teaching School/Faculty: Law

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Academic Level: FHEQ6 **Credit Value:** 20 **Total Delivered Hours:** 44.5
Total Learning Hours: 200 **Private Study:** 155.5

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	16
Online	16
Seminar	7
Tutorial	4

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	Essay	2500 words essay	70	
Exam	Exam	1.5 hour exam	30	1.5

Aims

Develop a deeper, more critical understanding of media law.

Develop a critical understanding of the philosophy underpinning areas of media law.

Identify what the right questions are.

Help students develop the ability to critically apply the case law to complex problems.

Explore issues of clarification.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate a critical understanding of the philosophy underpinning areas of media law.
- 2 Critically evaluate and rationalise the case law.
- 3 Demonstrate a critical understanding of and an ability to apply legal rules in their context.
- 4 Demonstrate critical application of the case law.
- 5 Demonstrate critical use of published material in the field of media law.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

2500 words essay	1	2	5
Exam	3	4	

Outline Syllabus

Freedom of Speech

Privacy

Official Secrets

Defamation

Press and Broadcasting Regulation

Contempt of Court

Learning Activities

Lectures

Seminars

Online Exercises

Tutorials (Drop in session)

Self-directed study

Preparation and completion of module assessments
Multimedia content

Notes

Students taking this course have the opportunity to participate in wide-ranging but analytically precise discussions of media law. Through it, students may expect to develop some of the skills and dispositions of professionals in the field. An acquaintance with basic concepts of criminal law, public law and the law of obligations is pre-supposed. This, in turn, facilitates a much deeper understanding of the subject.