

Summary Information

Module Code	6100SOC
Formal Module Title	Dissertation in Sociology
Owning School	Humanities and Social Science
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	40
Academic level	FHEQ Level 6
Grading Schema	40

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Kerry Wilson	Yes	N/A

Module Team Member

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Cassandra Ogden	Yes	N/A
David Tyrer	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Humanities and Social Science

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Seminar	12
Tutorial	8

Module Offering(s)

Offering Code	Location	Start Month	Duration
SEP-MTP	MTP	September	28 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	1. To study a topic of students' particular interest through self-directed study under the guidance of a supervisor.2. To use the research skills and concepts introduced in years one and two to conduct an independent, longitudinal research project and to present it in an appropriate style.3. To analyse and interpret a body of knowledge in a manner conforming to the standards of research and scholarship in sociology.
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Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Code	Description
MLO1	Design a research question in sociology know how to conduct an extensive literature.
MLO2	Organise and plan research effectively and independently over a limited period of time.
MLO3	Communicate ideas in an appropriate written format that conforms to the conventions of academic writing.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus
This module involves self-directed study under the guidance of a supervisor and module leader. Supervision will be by a combination of group and individual sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual supervision meetings (bi/tri-weekly) with allocated supervisor• Group sessions will involve two three-hour seminars per semester, led by the module leader, covering the following topics:<ul style="list-style-type: none">o The nature of a sociology dissertationo Advanced literature search and research skillso Refining research design and questionso Assessing feasibility and planningo Ethicsoo Project managemento Information and data collection and presentationo Structuring and writing up a dissertation

Module Overview

This module provides you with an opportunity to develop your own sociological specialism by conducting an extended, in-depth study on a freely chosen topic in sociology. You will plan and design an extended piece of academic work and present the completed work as a written dissertation whilst demonstrating a detailed and critical understanding of a relevant field of sociological enquiry. You will be supported through group seminars to successfully complete the dissertation and will work with a staff supervisor to develop a critical understanding of your research topic.

Additional Information

This module provides students with an opportunity to develop their own sociological specialism by conducting an extended, in-depth study on a freely chosen topic in sociology. Students will plan and design an extended piece of academic work and present the completed work as a written dissertation, whilst demonstrating a detailed and critical understanding of a relevant field of sociological enquiry. Students will be supported through group seminars to successfully complete the dissertation, and will work with a staff supervisor to develop a critical understanding of their research topic.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Learning Outcome Mapping
Dissertation	Dissertation	100	0	MLO2, MLO3, MLO1