

Family Law

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	6102LAWAS
Formal Module Title	Family Law
Owning School	Law
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 6
Grading Schema	40

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery	
Law	

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	24
Seminar	12
Tutorial	12

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
SEP-MTP	МТР	September	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

To provide students with a critical understanding of the legal responses to the formation, dissolution and regulation of domestic partnerships. To critically evaluate the law in relation to the parent/child relationship, domestic violence, children's rights, welfare support, parental separation, divorce and financial provision upon dissolution of marital relationships.

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Demonstrate a critical understanding of the legal context and regulation and dissolution of various familial relationships.
MLO2	2	Demonstrate a critical understanding of the law and policy issues relating to familial violence.
MLO3	3	Demonstrate a critical understanding of the impact of human rights law on family law
MLO4	4	Demonstrate a critical understanding of the law relating to children and welfare support.
MLO5	5	Demonstrate a well-developed ability to use a wide variety of standard and legal and other electronic sources of information.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	• Domestic Relationships: Family, Marriage and Civil Partnerships, Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013• Parenthood and Parental Responsibility –The Children Act 1989• Domestic Violence –law, social policy, government initiatives, police response, Reports –The Family Law Act 1996, Protection from Harassment Act 1997• Children's Rights, Gillick competence, the Children Act 1989 and the medical treatment of children, UN Convention on the Rights of the Child 1989 • Child Welfare and Support-the Child Support Act 1991, Child Maintenance and Other Payments Act 2008• Parental Separation-Children Act 1989, Children and Families Act 2014• Divorce-the law, social policy, post-divorce arrangements, financial awards post-divorce, the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973
Module Overview	
Additional Information	The workshops in this Module will not follow the structure of the usual Law tutorials/seminars where students are required to answer a number of questions on a certain topic. Students sign up and attend the particular workshops which will discuss the particular topic which they wish to write an essay on.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Essay	Coursework	70	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4, MLO5
Essay	Commentary	30	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4, MLO5

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Liz Jones	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings	