

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: The Law and Ethics
Status: Definitive
Code: **6102MW** (128130)
Version Start Date: 01-08-2021

Owning School/Faculty: Nursing and Allied Health
Teaching School/Faculty: Nursing and Allied Health

| Team | Leader |
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Academic Level: FHEQ6
Credit Value: 20
Total Delivered Hours: 48
Total Learning Hours: 200
Private Study: 152

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

| Component | Contact Hours |
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| Lecture | 36 |
| Tutorial | 1 |
| Workshop | 11 |

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

| Category | Short Description | Description | Weighting (%) | Exam Duration |
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| Essay | AS1 | case studies, ethical dilemma. 4500 words. | 100 | |

Aims

*To enable the student to:
Apply knowledge of legal and ethical principles to midwifery practice.*

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically discuss the legal aspects surrounding the provision of maternity care.
- 2 Critically apply ethical guiding principles to the governing of midwifery practice.
- 3 Critically reflect upon the complexities of legal and ethical principles in contemporary society and midwifery practice.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

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| Essay | 1 | 2 | 3 |
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Outline Syllabus

Principles of ethics; models of ethical decision making; ethical dilemmas; principles of law; moral considerations of care offered; women centred care; informed choice; consent to care; women's choices that are outside of guidelines; capacity to consent; assault; conscience clauses; eugenics; feticide; adoption/surrogacy; termination of pregnancy; mental capacity; Gillick competences; Fraser guidelines; age of consent; safeguarding; negligence; record keeping; breastfeeding (BFI standards) medication; NMC requirements.

Learning Activities

Lectures with discussions, workshops, group work, case studies, scenarios. Students will be formatively assessed throughout this module and specifically by: case study ethical dilemma small group work, 1 session role play.

Notes

This module will enable the students to explore the more challenging aspects of care provision within the legal framework of the UK.

This module is aligned to BFI standards.