

Bodies, Sex, and Death in International Relations Module Information

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Summary Information

| Module Code | 6107IRP |
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| Formal Module Title | Bodies, Sex, and Death in International Relations |
| Owning School | Humanities and Social Science |
| Career | Undergraduate |
| Credits | 20 |
| Academic level | FHEQ Level 6 |
| Grading Schema | 40 |

Teaching Responsibility

| LJMU Schools involved in Delivery | |
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| Humanities and Social Science | |

Learning Methods

| Learning Method Type | Hours |
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| Lecture | 11 |
| Seminar | 22 |

Module Offering(s)

| Display Name | Location | Start Month | Duration Number Duration Unit |
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| JAN-MTP | МТР | January | 12 Weeks |

Aims and Outcomes

| Aims | To analyse how the body is understood in international relations theory To recognise how understandings, recognitions, and erasures of the body impact upon policy making and decisions. To understand the body as site of power, domination, marginalisation, and erasure. |
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

| Code | Number | Description |
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| MLO1 | 1 | Generate a specific analysis of world politics through critical international theories. |
| MLO2 | 2 | Critically reflect upon how specific people or groups of people are differentially impacted by policy regimes. |
| MLO3 | 3 | Demonstrate mastery of interdisciplinary analytic skills to address real-world problems through conceptual frames. |

Module Content

| Outline Syllabus | Topics discussed could include:• Theorising the body in international relations• Agamaben's theory of necropolitics• Foucault's theory of biopolitics• Feminist theorisations of the body (Butler, Kristeva)• Contagion, pandemics, and panic: international (in)securities• Migration, borders, and permeability: leaky bodies of the state• The weaponization of the body in conflict• Bodies of pain: The brutalisation of the body in conflict• Race, Orientalism, and the War on Terror• Vulnerability and the Responsibility to Protect• Signal failures and queer bodies• Sex and Death in militarisation |
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| Module Overview | |
| Additional Information | This module explores the body as a site of international relations through critical theoretical engagement, with particular emphasis on feminist, postcolonial, and queer theories of the body. It questions the work that bodies are made to do politically through analyses of war, security, public health, migration, terrorism, and genocide. It contributes directly to researchled teaching initiatives as the module drawn from the expertise of the module leader and an ongoing book project. It will be important for students particularly engaged with international and non-governmental organisation that are responsible for policy recommendations and initiatives, in that it will allow them to critically assess the inclusivity of their work. |

Assessments

| Assignment Category | Assessment Name | Weight | Exam/Test Length (hours) | Module Learning Outcome Mapping |
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| Report | 2000 literature review | 35 | 0 | MLO1, MLO2 |
| Exam | Take-home Exam | 65 | 0 | MLO1, MLO2, MLO3 |

Module Contacts

Module Leader

| Contact Name | Applies to all offerings | Offerings |
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| Megan Armstrong | Yes | N/A |

Partner Module Team

| all offerings Offerings | Applies to all offerings |
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