

Module Proforma

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Summary Information

Module Code	6108HIST	
Formal Module Title	Soviet Body Politics: Sport, Leisure and Health, 1917-1945	
Owning School	Humanities and Social Science	
Career	Undergraduate	
Credits	20	
Academic level	FHEQ Level 6	
Grading Schema	40	

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Abigail Karas	Yes	N/A

Module Team Member

Contact Name Applies to all offerings Offerings	
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Partner Module Team

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Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery	
Humanities and Social Science	

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
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Lecture	11
Online	2
Seminar	22

Module Offering(s)

Offering Code	Location	Start Month	Duration
JAN-MTP	MTP	January	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims

1. Introduce students to Bolshevik concepts of the body, and how these related to wider social, political, economic and cultural issues.2. Provide students with an in-depth understanding of the early Soviet state and society, developing their analytical, critical, and communication skills.3. Equip students with the knowledge and skills to understand, identify and critically assess different kinds of source material.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Code	Description
MLO1	Discuss and clearly articulate important concepts with reference to examples studied in class.
MLO2	Demonstrate a nuanced and sophisticated understanding of historiographical themes and context pertaining to the Soviet Union, 1917-1945.
MLO3	Engage in historical debate about early Soviet approaches to building a new society and be able to contextualize these within the larger modernity project.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus

The human body was a key part of the Bolshevik project and this module explores how the Soviet body was deconstructed, constructed, and reified during the interwar period. In this module we will examine body politics and the larger effort to organize and reshape society through sport, leisure and health. This process will highlight the different processes of change over time and how these might be assessed in terms of interpreting the Soviet experience. Drawing on diaries, photographs, archive material and film, this module will deal with the social, cultural, and political changes occurring the Soviet Union in the 1920s and 1930

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Additional Information

- 1. Broken Bodies: War, Revolutions, & Famine, 2. Health, Hygiene and Physical Culture. 3. Making Women Soviet.
- 4. Youth Culture 5. Brave New World: Soviet Science and the New Man 6. Affirmative Action Empire, 7. The Right to Rest, 8. Looking West: Totalitarian Bodies, 9. Displaying Bodies: Sport and Parades 10. Shadow of War. 11. Revisions/Consultation

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Learning Outcome Mapping
Report	Written Report	30	0	MLO2, MLO3, MLO1
Essay	Long Essay	70	0	MLO2, MLO3, MLO1