

Dissertation

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	6201EDSTUD
Formal Module Title	Dissertation
Owning School	Education
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	40
Academic level	FHEQ Level 6
Grading Schema	40

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Education

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	12
Online	24
Tutorial	5
Workshop	12

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
SEP-CTY	CTY	September	28 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	To allow students to research a topic of their choice, which relates to their programme of study, using a range of data sources and appropriate research methods.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Critique literature and theories relating to the subject of their study
MLO2	2	Understand appropriate academic conventions of the dissemination of research
MLO3	3	Apply appropriate research methods to a given area of inquiry
MLO4	4	Analyse, interpret and synthesise data and information from a variety of forms

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	<p>For students undertaking a library-based study: Developing questions for research purposes Searching and retrieval: literary sources, databases, statistics and archives Reviewing and critiquing literature Documentary analysis Critical thinking and writing Writing strategies</p> <p>For students undertaking a fieldwork study: Gaining ethical approval Reviewing literature and critiquing research evidence Questionnaire design Conducting effective interviews Developing observation schedules Quantitative data analysis Qualitative data analysis Presenting results in an appropriate format Evaluating and discussing findings Drawing appropriate conclusions and making recommendations Effective writing strategies and writing up the project</p>
Module Overview	<p>This module allows you to research a topic of your choice, which relates to your programme of study, using a range of data sources and appropriate research methods. Your research will be supported through introductory lectures followed with workshops for group work and practical activities. You will be allocated a supervisor who will meet with you over the research period. Online materials will also be available to guide and support independent study.</p>
Additional Information	<p>There are three different optional formats for the dissertation-</p> <p>A dissertation which is 'fieldwork' based: in this type of dissertation a research question is formulated and investigated using 'field' data. Field data is usually obtained through the use of research methods such as questionnaires, interviews, focus groups, observations and so forth. This type of dissertation utilises library sources as well.</p> <p>A dissertation which is 'library' based: in this type of dissertation a research question is formulated and investigated using library based source material rather than 'field' data. This type of dissertation tends to be more theoretical or philosophical in tone.</p> <p>Two extended essays plus an accompanying rationale. Each essay requires the formulation of a research question which is investigated using library based source material rather than 'field' data. A rationale should justify the choice of topic(s), explain how the topics/essays are linked, and explain how the sources were selected and evaluated (methodology).</p>

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Dissertation	Dissertation	100	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Judith Enriquez	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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