

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: PRE-MASTERS SKILLS FOR ENGLISH
Status: Definitive
Code: **6500IPMSE** (107504)
Version Start Date: 01-08-2017

Owning School/Faculty: Academic Portfolio
Teaching School/Faculty: Study Group

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Academic Level: FHEQ6
Credit Value: 36
Total Delivered Hours: 151.5
Total Learning Hours: 360
Private Study: 208.5

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Runs Twice - S1 & S2

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	45
Seminar	45
Tutorial	45
Workshop	15

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Report	AS1	Research Project	40	
Report	AS2	Seminar Presentation	20	
Exam	AS3	Listening and note-taking, Reading and note-taking, Writing a summary/synthesis	40	1.5

Aims

To develop language University study skills appropriate for entrance to Masters level programmes at LJMU. This module will provide a base from which the postgraduate

degree can be attempted.

To develop English reading, writing, listening and speaking skills to an IELTS equivalent of 5.5 - 6.5 on successful completion

To have an understanding of English language skills enabling students to participate in tasks at a postgraduate level.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Complete a literature based research project and present the findings in a fully referenced, discursive essay.
- 2 Give a formal academic presentation of the findings from 1).
- 3 Participate effectively in academic seminars.
- 4 Identify and effectively note key points from academic lectures/presentations and academic texts.
- 5 Accurately evaluate their own academic performance in relation to the expectations placed on graduate and postgraduate students within the UK.
- 6 Identify, summarise and synthesise key points from a variety of different types of extended/complex academic sources to form a comprehensive and accurate overview of a particular topic/subject/area.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

CW	1	3	5
CW	6		
EXAM	2	4	6

Outline Syllabus

- 1. Research skills - Planning and organising longer research projects.*
- 2. Introduction to UK academic conventions and expectations.*
- 3. Study and research skills for post-graduate students.*
- 4. Reading/Listening & Note-taking Skills - Strategies for improving reading speed, evaluating texts and advanced note-taking skills. Strategies for organising larger amounts information (digital and paper).*
- 5. Academic Writing (Extended texts) – Process, organisation and structure, cohesion and coherence.*
- 6. Academic Writing (Summary/Synthesise writing of longer/more complex texts).*
- 7. Academic Speaking (Presentations and seminar skills and practice).*

Learning Activities

Interactive small classes, regular formative assignments, class tests and terminal

module assessment.

Notes

Module.