

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Dissertation  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **6500LAWBIC** (129604)  
Version Start Date: 01-08-2021

Owning School/Faculty: Law  
Teaching School/Faculty: Beaconhouse Group

| Team      | Leader |
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**Academic Level:** FHEQ6  
**Credit Value:** 40  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 12  
**Total Learning Hours:** 400  
**Private Study:** 388

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

| Component | Contact Hours |
|-----------|---------------|
| Lecture   | 4             |
| Tutorial  | 8             |

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

| Category     | Short Description | Description               | Weighting (%) | Exam Duration |
|--------------|-------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Dissertation | DISS              | 10,000 words dissertation | 100           |               |

### Aims

*To develop the ability of students to analyse and interpret a complex body of legal knowledge in a coherent manner and to present high order legal research and writing skills.*

### Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Identify a valid research question.
- 2 Conduct the independent research necessary to answer that question.
- 3 Synthesize the research materials into an argument framed by their question.
- 4 Present that synthesis in a coherently structured way.

### **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

10,000 words dissertation    1       2       3       4

### **Outline Syllabus**

*Develop a research question*

*Conduct substantial independent research*

*Produce a final dissertation*

### **Learning Activities**

1 introductory session in October with the module leader on research planning and methodology.

1 Session with the module leader on dissertation writing in January.

Approximately 8 Meetings with supervisor throughout the year.

### **Notes**

The Dissertation module will allow students to undertake and extended look at a legal subject of interest to them, to locate within the existing body of literature, and to conduct independent research, producing a written argument.

Students will submit a draft idea in the year prior to study and a supervisor identified.

Each successful proposal will be allocated a supervisor and full support will be available throughout the process.