

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: APPLIED RESEARCH PROJECT
Status: Definitive
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Owning School/Faculty: Natural Sciences & Psychology
Teaching School/Faculty: Natural Sciences & Psychology

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Academic Level: FHEQ7 **Credit Value:** 60.00 **Total Delivered Hours:** 38.00

Total Learning Hours: 600 **Private Study:** 562

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Seminar	8.000
Tutorial	30.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Dissertation	Project	Dissertation of up to 10,000 words	100.0	

Aims

1. To provide students with an opportunity to carry out in-depth advanced study in a specific area of occupational psychology.
2. To enable students to apply appropriate principles of empirical research to an

issue of their choice within the subject area of occupational psychology.
 3. *To enable students to present their research in the form of a written dissertation, using appropriate styles and conventions.*

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Formulate a research plan which includes a realistic idea of the relative time and effort weighting to be given to various stages of the research, demonstrates an awareness of relevant ethical issues, and provides an indication of the objectives and intended outcomes of the research study.
- 2 Demonstrate the skills of literature search, critical review and selection of relevant sources, and systematic synthesis and treatment of key material.
- 3 Choose and apply appropriate advanced empirical methodologies and treat resulting data with appropriate analytical methods.
- 4 Write a dissertation of up to 10,000 words which pays due regard to the conventions whereby psychological research is conveyed to others, demonstrating specialist subject knowledge.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Dissertation 10,000 words max	1	2	3	4
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Outline Syllabus

Initial group meeting with module leader.
Individual meetings (primarily student-led) with supervisor.

Learning Activities

1. Identify an academic supervisor and meet regularly with the supervisor to discuss plans and progress.
2. Produce a research proposal and draw up a plan of work with a realistic timescale and due consideration of ethical issues.
3. If necessary, negotiate access to information and participants with external organisations.
4. Complete data collection, analysis and produce dissertation.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Sternberg, R. J.
Publishing Year	2003

Title	The Psychologist's Companion 4th edition.
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	American Psychological Association
Publishing Year	2001
Title	Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association 5th edition.
Subtitle	Washington DC:
Edition	
Publisher	American Psychological Association.
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Sternberg, R.J.
Publishing Year	2000
Title	Guide to Publishing in Psychology Journals
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
ISBN	

Notes

Students will carry out a programme of experimental or field research under supervision. The module is assessed through the production of a written dissertation of up to 10,000 words.