

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Legal Research Skills for Practitioners
Status: Definitive
Code: **7001LAWLR** (119474)
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Owning School/Faculty: Law
Teaching School/Faculty: Law

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Academic Level: FHEQ7 **Credit Value:** 15.00 **Total Delivered Hours:** 16.00
Total Learning Hours: 150 **Private Study:** 134

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	16.000

Grading Basis: Pass/Not Pass

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	Proposal		100.0	

Aims

- 1) To provide students with the research tools and skills necessary to undertake and engage successfully in independent legal research study at M level
- 2) To enable students to present legal issues, disputes and attendant intellectual argument in a structured and comprehensible manner sufficient to embark upon preparation for a M level dissertation.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Identify legal material from a variety of sources
- 2 Critically evaluate the application of research method and methodology to the investigation of legal practice
- 3 Critically explore the ethical implications of research in legal practice

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Dissertation Proposal	1	2	3
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Outline Syllabus

Introduction to studying at Masters level

Selection of research questions by negotiation with a supervisor

Identifying and locating legal sources

Legal research methodologies: Doctrinal, socio-legal and comparative.

Learning about Research Ethics

Developing a research plan

Constructing a dissertation proposal

Writing a Dissertation proposal/Chapter sample

Learning Activities

Lectures

One on one meetings and guidance with dissertation supervisor

Notes

New LLM in LP