

Dissertation

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7003PUBHEA
Formal Module Title	Dissertation
Owning School	Public Health Institute
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	60
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Public Health Institute

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Seminar	45
Tutorial	10

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
SEP-CTY	CTY	September	44 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	1. To enable students to develop the skills necessary to plan and execute a research project that is relevant to their area of study.2. To effectively communicate research outcomes to an appropriate audience.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Synthesise material from various sources in order to identify, define and defend an appropriate research question.
MLO2	2	Apply methodological rigour in the use of appropriate methods and techniques for problem analysis and investigation.
MLO3	3	Critically evaluate the implications of research findings.
MLO4	4	Communicate research findings using agreed standards of convention.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	<p>Common core seminars: Introduction and ethical processes Searching Electronic databases How to write a journal article Writing up your dissertation 3 sets of Seminars for Quantitative, Qualitative and Systematic Review Approaches. Students choose what to attend based on their dissertation and interests: Quantitative: Questionnaire development Quantitative analysis Analysis drop in seminars Qualitative: Observations, interviews and focus group seminars Participatory research methods Analysis using NVIVO Systematic Review: Managing references and screening decisions Quality assessment and data extraction Synthesis and meta-analysis Qualitative synthesis</p>
Module Overview	<p>The dissertation module offers you an opportunity to explore in-depth an area of personal or professional interest that relates to your programme of study. In doing this, you will expand your research skills and apply what you have learned in the earlier modules to your research project. It enables to:</p> <p>develop your skills necessary to plan and execute a research project that is relevant to your area of study</p> <p>effectively communicate research outcomes to an appropriate audience</p> <p>You can choose your own topic and methodology, though this should be relevant to public health and ideally to your route specialism. You can choose to write up as a full dissertation or as a journal style article (which comes with a viva).</p>
Additional Information	<p>The dissertation module offers students an opportunity to explore in-depth an area of personal or professional interest that relates to their programme of study. In doing this, they will expand their research skills and apply what they have learned in the earlier modules to their research project. Students have a choice of either developing and writing up a Traditional Dissertation, or a Systematic Review based dissertation each of 12- 15,000 words in length excluding appendices and references. Or students can choose to develop a Journal Based Dissertation approximately at 5000 words in length excluding appendices and references; please note this is also assessed by a Viva Voce.</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
Lorna Porcellato	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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