Liverpool John Moores University

Title:	RESEARCH THESIS
Status:	Definitive
Code:	7003SCSUCR (125674)
Version Start Date:	01-08-2019
Owning School/Faculty: Teaching School/Faculty:	Natural Sciences & Psychology Natural Sciences & Psychology

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Academic Level:	FHEQ7	Credit Value:	60	Total Delivered Hours:	6
Total Learning Hours:	600	Private Study:	594		

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Summer

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	2
Workshop	4

Grading Basis: 50 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Dissertation	Thesis	Independent research thesis demonstrating competency in project planning, design and execution. Collection, synthesis and critical interpretation of data considering academic literature.	100	

Aims

To plan and execute an original research project in a relevant academic subject under the supervision of an academic advisor. To complete a written thesis based on independent research.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Effectively plan, design and execute an independent and original research project.
- 2 Utilise appropriate qualitative, quantitative and/or mixed methods for data acquisition.
- 3 Demonstrate professional skill in the analysis and display of results.
- 4 Synthesise, analyse and critically evaluate research findings using reasoned and logical arguments.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Written thesis 1 2 3 4

Outline Syllabus

Project planning and research design. Research methodology and ethics. Thesis proposal and academic writing.

Learning Activities

Introductory lectures, project planning, logistics and ethics. Individual independent study and investigation. Supervisory support in meetings and workshops.

Notes

Completing a Masters thesis is the hallmark of graduate education and all students in the program are required to write and defend a thesis based on an individual research project. Students will be working with an advisor in developing their research project for research supervision and input on theory and research design. Coastal Resilience students will have to have a minimum of two faculty members on their committee (one at SCSU; one at LJMU). Students will continue to work with their advisor and committee in finalising their research project.