Liverpool John Moores University

Title: BIOANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES

Status: Definitive

Code: **7004FSBMOL** (120795)

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Owning School/Faculty: Pharmacy & Biomolecular Sciences Teaching School/Faculty: Pharmacy & Biomolecular Sciences

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ7 Value: 20.00 Delivered 40.00

Hours:

Total Private

Learning 200 Study: 160

Hours:

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours	
Lecture	8.000	
Practical	21.000	
Seminar	2.000	
Workshop	6.000	

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Report	Report	Journal paper based on practical sessions incorporating analysis of papers relevant to the subject	50.0	
Exam	Exam	Students will answer one pre- agreed question in detail in addition to unseen material	50.0	3.00

Aims

To provide students with an understanding of advanced molecular techniques relevant to forensic science including nucleic acid and protein based techniques. To enable students to understand and perform appropriate interpretation methods To develop critical awareness of the limitations of these techniques and their use in the criminal justice system.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Perform relevant advanced techniques and critically analyse and interpret the results
- 2 Critically evaluate current research and the application of relevant techniques with regard to the criminal justice system
- 3 Demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the subject

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Journal style report 1 2

Examination 2 3

Outline Syllabus

Advanced DNA techniques: partial profiles, mixed samples, epigenetic analysis and others relevant and recently published. Review of basic techniques (STR and MtDNA analysis)

RNA analysis. For example: determination of body fluid identity, aging of samples Protein analysis relevant to forensic science. For example: changes in protein levels during decomposition

Advanced immunological techniques

Learning Activities

Lectures, laboratory investigations, workshops and seminars. Private study

Notes

This module looks at advanced level bioanalytical techniques relevant to forensic science including recent and new technologies. These are analysed and discussed with reference to the requirements of the criminal justice system.