

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: DISSERTATION
Status: Definitive
Code: **7014LAWBC** (107703)
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Owning School/Faculty: Law
Teaching School/Faculty: Law

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Academic Level: FHEQ7
Credit Value: 60.00
Total Delivered Hours: 24.00
Total Learning Hours: 600
Private Study: 576

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Summer

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	12.000
Seminar	12.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Bound dissertation of approximately 20000 words	100.0	

Aims

To provide a revision of research methods and theory undertaken in the Legal Research and Writing Skills Moduel LAWBCM005

To provide the opportunity to carry out an individual research project in an area of student interest.

To seek to develop high order competencies associated with analytical reasoning and critical evaluation in a piece of work that allows for initiative, creativity and independence of thought, with an ability to conceptualise, to be displayed.

In providing the opportunity for students to show originality in the application of

knowledge to demonstrate how the boundaries of knowledge can be advanced through research.

Enhance and build upon those legal writing and written communication skills developed earlier in the programme.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Show the ability to conceptualise and produce work that is imaginative and creative.
- 2 Analyse and evaluate as an autonomous learner undertaking independent research on a given topic using a variety of data sources both manual and electronic.
- 3 Conceptualise and produce work that is imaginative and creative.
- 4 Re-state and revise the Learning Outcomes stated in Researching International Business Law Module; namely, recognise and critically evaluate the relative strengths and weaknesses of various theoretical perspectives on research into Law. And, undertake a literature review.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Essay 1 2 3 4

Outline Syllabus

Negotiable.

To undertake, on an agreed topic, an ordered exposition and critical assessment of existing secondary data; or, undertake primary research using primary data to support a proposed hypothesis.

Learning Activities

Note taking from introductory seminars, compilation of a research proposal, actioning that proposal through a supervised independent research project involving a literary search and planning and writing of thesis using accepted conventions.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Zwegert & Kotz
Publishing Year	1998
Title	An Introduction to Comparative Law
Subtitle	

Edition	
Publisher	Clarendon
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Fairclough N.
Publishing Year	1995
Title	Critical Disclosure Analysis
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Longman
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Hutchinson N.
Publishing Year	1999
Title	Beyond Black-letterism: ethics in Law and Legal Education
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Law Teacher, Vol.33, No.3, pp 301-9
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Harris D.
Publishing Year	1983
Title	The Development of Socio Legal Studies in the UK
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	2 Legal Studies 315
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Schiff D.
Publishing Year	1982
Title	Phenomenology and Jurisprudence
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Liverpool Law Review Vol.4, 6
ISBN	

Notes

A module that will demonstrate the full extent of a student's ability through the production of a bound dissertation of high standard.