

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: RESEARCHING INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS LAW:
WRITING DISSERTATIONS & RESEARCH
METHODOLOGIES

Status: Definitive

Code: **7022LAWBC** (107714)

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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:** 24.00

Total Learning Hours: 150 **Private Study:** 126

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Seminar	24.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Dissertation Proposal Document	100.0	

Aims

To introduce what is required at a Masters level, both in terms of the taught modules and the dissertation

To encourage a Master's level degree of independence and responsibility regarding one's studies

To introduce key thematic issues in International Business Law, especially globalisation

To facilitate development of Master's level technical legal research

To develop the technical research requirements of a Master's Dissertation Proposal, and highlight the technical writing skills and technical academic skills needed to

construct a dissertation Proposal
To introduce research methodologies available for conducting research in
International Business Law

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 To appreciate the greater self-direction and self-development required at Master's level learning and research
- 2 Ability to demonstrate a keen awareness of the contemporary key thematic issues in International Business Law research
- 3 Apply Master's level technical legal research
- 4 Critically evaluate the technical research requirements of a dissertation proposal, together with consistent demonstration of Master's level technical writing skills and technical academic standards
- 5 Demonstrate the ability to discuss and evaluate different research methodologies in International Business Law research, and to justify the chosen research methodology

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Essay	1	2	3	4	5
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Outline Syllabus

Introduction to Master's level

Key thematics in International Business Law research –

Globalisation; Neo-liberalism; policy responses to global economic crisis

Identifying and locating legal materials

Producing a Dissertation Proposal

Research Methodologies in International Business –

doctrinal; international; in context; socio-legal; law & economics; comparative; global

Learning Activities

Lectures and Seminars

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Biggam, J
Publishing Year	2008

Title	Succeeding with your Master's Dissertation
Subtitle	
Edition	1st
Publisher	Open University Press
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	McConville, M & Hong Chui, W
Publishing Year	2007
Title	Research Methods for Law
Subtitle	
Edition	1st
Publisher	Edinburgh UP
ISBN	

Notes

The course teaches students how to draft a Dissertation Proposal and introduces some basic methodological issues for the research of International Business Law