

Research Methods for English Studies

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7100ENGLIT
Formal Module Title	Research Methods for English Studies
Owning School	Humanities and Social Science
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	30
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery	
Humanities and Social Science	

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Seminar	24
Tutorial	4

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
SEP-MTP	МТР	September	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	1. To deepen students' understanding of library, bibliographic, online and other facilities necessary for postgraduate research;2. To assist students in recognizing and applying appropriate strategies for developing advanced level research projects;3. To enhance students' capacities for evaluating strengths and weaknesses in the methodologies of researchers in their field; 4. To develop and nuance verbal communication skills, to enable the expression of complex ideas and conform to postgraduate-level standards for the presentation of written work.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Identify and access appropriate archives and bibliographical resources;
MLO2	2	Demonstrate an understanding of methodologies and theoretical approaches relevant to their own research interests;
MLO3	3	Evaluate the methodologies of scholars in their own field;
MLO4	4	Discuss advanced level research and present written work to a postgraduate-level standard.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	Students will cover the following topics through a combination of presentations from staff, reflection on the progress of their own research skills, and discussion of set reading in which they will be invited to critique the methods of published research: 1. Using resources / key search techniques 2. Exploring, creating and analysing archives 3. Developing a research question4. Defining methodology / engaging with theory 5. Applying analytical skills 6. Constructing and argument 7. Oral and written presentation skills	
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Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Report	Research Task 2000 words	40	0	MLO1, MLO2
Report	Analysis 3000 words	60	0	MLO3, MLO4

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Fiona Tolan	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team