

Advanced Legal Research Methods

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7101LAWLM
Formal Module Title	Advanced Legal Research Methods
Owning School	Law
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	Pass/Not Pass

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Law

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	12
Workshop	8

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
JAN-MTP	MTP	January	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	<p>1. To introduce research methodologies available for conducting research in law and criminal justice.2. To facilitate development of Master's level technical legal and criminal justice research.3. To encourage a Master's level degree of independence and responsibility.4. To introduce key research methodologies for researching law and criminal justice.5. To develop the technical research requirements of a Master's Dissertation.</p>
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Show originality in the application of knowledge, together with a practical understanding of how established techniques of research and enquiry may be used to create and interpret knowledge in relevant areas of law and criminal justice.
MLO2	2	Have a systematic understanding and critical awareness of current problems and contemporary issues and/or insights into the changing nature of UK and international law and criminal justice.
MLO3	3	Demonstrate skills associated with problem-solving and decision making based on own research and analysis demonstrated through legal writing and communication skills.
MLO4	4	Apply critical and analytical skills associated with legal analysis to identified scenario and situations.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	1. Introducing the Module 2. What is a Master's dissertation? 3. Writing at Master's level 4. Developing Research Aims, Individual Research Objectives, Research Title/Question 5. The Literature Review 6. Research Methodologies for Law and Criminal Justice Dissertations 7. Sample Chapter Outline, Abstracts 8. Supervision and work planning
Module Overview	This module introduces research methodologies available for conducting research in law and criminal justice. It aims to: facilitate development of Masters-level technical legal and criminal justice research encourage a Masters-level degree of independence and responsibility introduce key research methodologies for researching law and criminal justice develop the technical research requirements of a Masters dissertation
Additional Information	The module teaches students how to draft a Dissertation Proposal and introduces some basic methodological issues for the research of law and criminal justice, building on their research undertaken to date and preparing them for their Master's Dissertation and intensive independent learning.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Presentation	4000 word report	100	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Thompson Chengeta	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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