

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7103MR
Formal Module Title	Research Methods for Arts, Professional and Social 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
Lecture	12
Seminar	12
Workshop	4

Module Offering(s)

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

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	To introduce students to library, bibliographic, online and other facilities necessary for postgraduate research; To assist students in recognizing and applying appropriate strategies for developing a research project – identifying research questions, theoretical problems, material for analysis and critical position; To develop students' capacities for evaluating strengths and weaknesses in the methodologies of researchers in their field; To help students gain confidence in communicating their ideas verbally to their peers, 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 project
MLO3	3	Evaluate the methodologies of scholars in their own field
MLO4	4	Outline the scope and content of their research project, writing in an appropriate style

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	Students will cover the following topics through a combination of presentations from APSS staff, reflection on the progress of their own research 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 question 4. Defining methodology / engaging with theory 5. Applying analytical skills 6. Constructing and argument 7. Oral and written presentation skills
Module Overview	<p>This module introduces and develops generic research skills in arts, humanities and social science. It:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> introduces you to library, bibliographic, online and other facilities necessary for postgraduate research assists you in recognising and applying appropriate strategies for developing a research project – identifying research questions, theoretical problems, material for analysis and critical position develops your capacities for evaluating strengths and weaknesses in the methodologies of researchers in your field helps you to gain confidence in communicating your ideas verbally to your peers, and conform to postgraduate-level standards for the presentation of written work
Additional Information	This module introduces and develops generic research skills for students in arts, humanities and social science. It is intended to guide them as they undertake individual research projects, helping them develop productive research questions, define the parameters of their research, apply suitable methods and present findings in a manner appropriate to their field. The module will also give students the opportunity to see themselves as part of a community of postgraduate researchers, and present their ideas to their peers accordingly.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Report	Search narrative	40	0	MLO1, MLO2
Report	Comparative Analysis of Method	60	0	MLO3, MLO4

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Colin Harrison	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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