

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Human Rights
Status: Definitive
Code: **7104LAWPL** (119605)
Version Start Date: 01-08-2015

Owning School/Faculty: Law
Teaching School/Faculty: Law

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Academic Level: FHEQ7
Credit Value: 15
Total Delivered Hours: 18
Total Learning Hours: 150
Private Study: 132

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Seminar	18

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Coursework Assignment	100	

Aims

- 1. To develop originality in the application of knowledge together with a practical understanding of how established research and enquiry are used to create and interpret knowledge in the discipline*
- 2. Provide students with knowledge and ability and opportunity to critically analyse key themes of Human Rights legislation in UK and international law*
- 3. To provide the opportunity to examine contemporary issues relating to the need for accountability with regard to this developing area of international law*

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate knowledge and understanding and critical awareness of the contemporary issues pertaining to the core and option areas of study
- 2 Critically evaluate arguments, assumptions and abstract concepts and so formulate judgements and identify a range of solutions to a given problem
- 3 Apply critical and analytical skills associated with legal analysis to identified scenario and situations

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Essay (4000 words)	1	2	3
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Outline Syllabus

The contents indicative only

1. *The historical and philosophical grounding of rights*
 - *17th century origin of the rights of man to the 20th century international regime of human rights*
 - *Authors: Locke; Hume; Hobbes; Bentham; Burke; Marx; MacIntyre*
2. *The creation of an international Regime of Rights*
 - *the universal declaration of human rights*
 - *the creation of multilateral treaties regionally and internationally*
 - *Jus Cogens norms and enforcement mechanisms*
3. *Some contemporary problems in human rights*
 - *prohibition on torture and its persistence in practice*
 - *human rights and the culture question*
 - *balancing interests eg, clash between freedom of religious worship and other civil liberties*

Learning Activities

All Modules utilise blended learning to enrich the intellectual and innovative landscape of the course through methods involving interactive, self-directed and independent learning.

Lecture-produced materials where appropriate will be available for students to access electronically.

Students will have the opportunities to collaborate with others in their learning cohort

in structured seminar sessions.

Generally, the teaching and learning style of delivery is seminar/workshop based with students being required to undertake preliminary reading in order to prepare for and actively participate in group discussion.

Notes

This is a Core Module on the LLM European Law and also a core Module on the LLM/MSc Global Crime Justice & Security