

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Terrorism
Status: Definitive
Code: **7109PS** (124587)
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Owning School/Faculty: Justice Studies
Teaching School/Faculty: Justice Studies

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Academic Level: FHEQ7
Credit Value: 20
Total Delivered Hours: 48
Total Learning Hours: 200
Private Study: 152

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	36
Tutorial	12

Grading Basis: 50 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	2500 Word essay	50	
Essay	AS2	2500 Word Essay	50	

Aims

In this complex environment this module will examine in depth, the key concepts in relation to terrorism. It will explore a number of key issues including definitions of terrorism, ideologies, typology, group structures, tactics, methods of operation, target selection, state response, use of technologies, funding and media impact.

A number of influential terrorist groups will also be studied which will provide the student with the opportunity of applying theory to practice. These groups might be

religiously-based groups, political and domestic extremist terrorist organisations.

The module will also explore the concept of and delivery of counter terrorism initiatives with a focus on the measures being adopted within the United Kingdom, drawing on comparative counter-terrorism strategies from the US and Canada.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically analyse key concepts in relation to terrorism
- 2 Examine how a terrorist group can impact on society or a particular group within society
- 3 Critically analyse and evaluate the effectiveness of counter-terrorism measures

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

2500 Word Essay	1	2
2500 Word Essay	3	

Outline Syllabus

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1. *Definitions of Terrorism*
2. *Ideology*
3. *Typology*
4. *Terrorist Strategy*
5. *Tactics*
6. *Targets*
7. *Technology*
8. *Funding*
9. *Media*
10. *Religiously-Based Terrorism*
11. *Irish-Based Terrorism*
12. *Links with Organised Crime, i.e. FARC*
13. *UK Counter Terrorism Strategy*
14. *Intelligence*
15. *US and Canada CT Strategies*
16. *Critical Terrorism Studies: Perspectives and Research Methods*

Learning Activities

A variety of teaching methods will be used, In addition to formal lectures, students will participate in workshops which will focus on key themes emerging in terrorism

and counter-terrorism.

They will also have full access to University facilities and resources in addition to those available via the College of Policing.

A key teaching tool will be the LJMU VLE where students will be able to access case study and key on-line material, but particular attention will be paid to in order to avoid inappropriate sites placed on social media by contemporary terrorist groups.

Notes

This module takes cognisance of the National Occupational Standards – AA1, AB, AE1 & CB1.

The module aims to develop students understanding of the work of statutory and non-statutory bodies in society and relate this experience to terrorism, counter-terrorist and security in society.