

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: PG Dissertation  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **7121LAWPL** (119757)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Law  
Teaching School/Faculty: Law

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**Academic Level:** FHEQ7  
**Credit Value:** 60  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 12  
**Total Learning Hours:** 600  
**Private Study:** 588

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Runs Twice - S1 & S2

Component	Contact Hours
Seminar	12

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Dissertation	AS1	Dissertation	100	

### Aims

- 1. To enable the student to undertake a detailed study of a clearly defined legal or socio-legal topic, issue or problem*
- 2. To increase knowledge during the research process of a selected subject area and develop a greater critical awareness*
- 3. To be able to present findings of personal research in an appropriate form.*

## Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Develop an in-depth knowledge and understanding sufficient to demonstrate some critical evaluation of a key area in European law or international crime justice and security.
- 2 Identify and summarise relevant information and develop an evidence-based and/or empirical approach to research and demonstrate competency in using information technology
- 3 Demonstrate the capacity to work independently and to professional standards and display high order skills in legal research and legal writing
- 4 Manage time and develop independent learning for continuous development.
- 5 Research effectively through a selection of appropriate theories, methodologies and techniques using primary and secondary materials.
- 6 Enhance students ability to plan and implement independent research tasks and formulate a response to be communicated to a range of audiences at a professional level or equivalent.

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Dissertation	1	2	3	4	5	6
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## Outline Syllabus

*Content is indicative rather than definitive*

*The module is an independent research project under the supervision of an academic with specialist knowledge within the specialist subject area of the chosen award of either LLM European Law or LLM or MSc Global Crime Justice & Security.*

## Learning Activities

Learning activities to include the following:

1. Research into topics and produce Masters level research material to develop a comprehensive understanding of techniques applicable to own research or advanced scholarship
2. Independent study
3. Evaluate methodologies and develop critique of them and where appropriate to propose new hypotheses
4. Research into topics within the syllabus and demonstrate self-direction and originality in tackling and solving problems

5. Act autonomously in planning and implementing the task at a professional or equivalent level

6. Undertake independent research under the guidance and supervision of a supervising tutor

### **Notes**

This is a 60-credit Module for the PG Dissertation as part of the study for the LLM European Law and the LLM Global Crime Justice and Security.

The PG Dissertation Module is the culmination of the whole programme of study bringing together aspects of various learning skills in addition to those highlighted as specific Learning Outcomes. The Module content is based around a negotiated topic area following discussions with tutors and introduced at a preliminary stage in the Postgraduate Legal Research Methods Module as a Research Proposal