

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Pathways to Islamist Radicalisation and Violent Extremism  
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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: Year Long & NS Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Online	48

**Grading Basis:** 50 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	2000 word annotated bibliography	20	
Report	AS2	3000 word research report	80	

### Aims

*To ensure that candidates have an understanding of the theoretical and philosophical contexts within which Islamist thought, practice and violent extremism are constructed.*

*To be able to identify the key paradigms of contemporary Islamic thought and practice.*

*Understand the key contemporary issues in complex and multi-layered Muslim societies and how they are vulnerable to radicalisers.*

*Provide a critical perspective on the role of western policymakers in responding to the threat posed by Islamist violence.*

## **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate a critical awareness of Islamist discourses and alternative voices.
- 2 Identify methods and structures of policy intervention and accountability.
- 3 Critically assess the history and structure of different factions and groups in Muslim communities.
- 4 Make a critical evaluation of contemporary issues in combating Islamist violence and political extremism.

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

2000 word bibliography	1	2		
3000 word report	1	2	3	4

## **Outline Syllabus**

- *The diversity of Muslim society in Britain and Europe.*
- *The different factions and groups in contemporary Muslim societies.*
- *Current problems of UK and Western policy responses in meeting public expectations and accountability.*
- *Key contemporary issues in public protection and prevention of violent extremism.*

## **Learning Activities**

Online lectures and the provision an asynchronous online message board.

## **Notes**

This module considers and examines the phenomenon of Islamist radicalisation and how that can lead to violent extremism. It includes an analysis and examination of complex Muslim communities, religious orthodoxy and heterodoxy, how nationality, culture, ethnicity and lived experience can shape Muslim attitudes to non-Muslim society. Acknowledging the multi-layered and complex terrain of Islamic thought and religious practice the module seeks to illuminate some of the vulnerabilities and pressure points inside and outside these communities.