

Public Law

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7208LAWGD
Formal Module Title	Public Law
Owning School	Law
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	15
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Law

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	22
Seminar	11

Module Offering(s)

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

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	Students will gain an appreciation of both the Constitutional Arrangements of the United Kingdom and the theoretical framework underpinning them. This module also facilitates a contextual and critical appreciation of the relationship between law and politics relating to the administration and governance of the British State.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Critique the nature of the British constitutional arrangements
MLO2	2	Demonstrate a critical understanding of the theories underpinning constitutional law
MLO3	3	Critically discuss and analyse the growing importance of Human Rights in British Public Law
MLO4	4	Advise a client on administrative law in the UK

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	1. Introduction to British ‘Democracy’ 2. The Nature of the Constitution 3. The Sovereignty of Parliament 4. The Separation of Powers 5. The Rule of Law 6. Human Rights 7. Responsible and Accountable Government 8. Information 9. Administrative Justice 10. Judicial Review
Module Overview	Public Law is primarily concerned with the relationship between the citizen and the State. It concerns the constitutional structures of the United Kingdom, including the nature of Parliament and its legislative supremacy. It explores broad public law doctrines such as the separation of powers and the rule of law and teaches them in a UK context. You will gain an appreciation of both the Constitutional Arrangements of the United Kingdom and the theoretical framework underpinning them.
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Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Centralised Exam	Exam	100	3	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Matilde Ventrella	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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