# **Liverpool** John Moores University

Title: Applying Lean Principles to Construction Projects

Status: Definitive

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ7 Value: 10.00 Delivered 24.00

**Hours:** 

Total Private

Learning 100 Study: 76

**Hours:** 

**Delivery Options** 

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Workshop	24.000

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

#### **Assessment Details**

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Portfolio	Project		100.0	

#### **Aims**

To investigate the rationale for applying Lean principles to construction projects and develop skills and knowledge in order to use Lean-based methods on projects.

### **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

1 Evaluate the historical development of the Lean construction movement.

- 2 Examine the characteristics of Lean-based approaches to managing construction projects.
- 3 Critically appraise the benefits and barriers to implementing Lean in construction project environments.
- 4 Apply a Lean-based approach to a specific project management situation.

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

Portfolio Project Based 1 2 3 4

# **Outline Syllabus**

The historic evolution of the Lean philosophy
The Lean construction movement
The elements of Lean construction
Benefits and barriers
The Last Planner System®
Case studies

# **Learning Activities**

The module is delivered in taught mode by workshops, seminars, using case studies, interactive group work and directed self-study.

# References

Course Material	Book
Author	Forbes, L.H. and Ahmed, S.M.
Publishing Year	2010
Title	Modern Construction.
Subtitle	Lean Project Delivery and Integrated Practices
Edition	
Publisher	CRC Press
ISBN	9781420063127

Course Material	Website
Author	Ballard, H.G.
Publishing Year	2000
Title	The Last Planner System of Production Control.
Subtitle	Thesis
Edition	
Publisher	The University of Birmingham Available at http://leanconstruction.org.uk/media/docs/ballard2000-dissertation.pdf
ISBN	

Notes

The module provides students with an appreciation of the philosophy, principles and practices of Lean construction.