

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7500PSYSCI
Formal Module Title	Current perspectives in psychology
Owning School	Psychology
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
LJMU Partner Taught

Partner Teaching Institution

Institution Name
Unicaf

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Online	33

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
APR-PAR	PAR	April	12 Weeks
JAN-PAR	PAR	January	12 Weeks
SEP-PAR	PAR	September	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	This module will introduce students to contemporary areas of psychology including ethics, health, work, forensic and positive psychology and equip them with selected academic skills necessary for successful engagement with the Psychology MSc programme. There will be a focus on thinking critically about key issues in psychology including e.g. ethics in a digital age, understanding the practice and application of psychological research and comparing and contrasting different theoretical perspectives on health, work, forensic and positive psychology. Students will reflect on their current skills and determine areas where development is required.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	engage in critical reflection and self-awareness on personal study and research abilities and identify areas for development
MLO2	2	Identify and critically discuss principles and concepts underlying different theoretical perspectives on health, work, forensic and positive psychology
MLO3	3	Critically evaluate conceptual, methodological and ethical issues and key research findings
MLO4	4	Present psychological theorizing and research in a concise and professional manner

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	Critical discussion of concepts, measures and classical studies in health, work, digital, forensic and positive psychology. Discussion of different theoretical perspectives on these themes. Workshops on skills audit, presentation skills, and postgraduate academic writing. The emphasis throughout will be on interaction, encouraging students to explore the material for themselves and develop their own critical thinking, communication, and study skills.
Module Overview	
Additional Information	Initial weeks will focus on students evaluating their current skills and abilities for postgraduate study in psychology and identifying areas for development. Each major topic will consider the essential core concepts and a selection of classical psychological studies on the topic. Topics will be briefly considered from different theoretical perspectives. During online study students will critically discuss scientific research in written form.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Portfolio	Portfolio	60	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3
Essay	Essay	40	0	MLO4

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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Helen Poole	Yes	N/A
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Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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