

Dissertation Project

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7506PSYSCI
Formal Module Title	Dissertation Project
Owning School	Psychology
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	60
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	36

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 aims to equip students with the research skills necessary to conduct and critically evaluate psychology research, including the systematic review and synthesis of research literature, and prepare them to conduct their own secondary research project on a topic of their choosing. Students should gain a deeper understanding of the conceptual, methodological and logistical problems that may be encountered when conducting research independently under supervision. Students will have a supervisor for guidance throughout the process of research from developing a research idea, to sourcing and analysing secondary data, and writing up the findings.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Conduct a mini-systematic review of the research literature in accordance with PRISMA (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic reviews and Meta-Analyses) guidelines
MLO2	2	Formulate and communicate a research plan that is realistic in terms of time and effort required for the various stages of the research and provides an indication of the objectives and outcomes of the study.
MLO3	3	Select a methodology that is appropriate for the research question.
MLO4	4	analyse secondary data within the accepted parameters and conventions of the chosen methodology
MLO5	5	Report research findings paying due regard to the conventions of peer reviewed psychological research and demonstrating specialist psychological knowledge

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	This module is primarily undertaken by the student in the form of secondary data research, secondary data analysis and project write-up. However, students are encouraged to maintain regular contact with their supervisor. Systematic reviews, including synthesis of both quantitative and qualitative research. How to search and critique the literature.
Module Overview	
Additional Information	Students will design and conduct a mini-systematic review as well as a significant piece of research in the field of Psychology. A major aspect of the development of any research project is to structure research ideas within an acceptable framework that may be subjected to peer review. After formulation of initial research ideas, students are encouraged to discuss these with their supervisor and to agree a plan of action before the research commences.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Report	MINI SYSTEMATIC REVIEW	20	0	MLO1
Report	RESEARCH PROPOSAL	20	0	MLO2, MLO3
Dissertation	Dissertation	60	0	MLO4, MLO5

Module Contacts

Module Leader

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

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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