

## Research Skills for Journalists

### Module Information

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#### Summary Information

Module Code	7522IST
Formal Module Title	Research Skills for Journalists
Owning School	Liverpool Screen School
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	10
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

#### Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
LJMU Partner Taught

#### Partner Teaching Institution

Institution Name
Independent Studies of Science and Technology

#### Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	12

#### Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
JAN-PAR	PAR	January	12 Weeks

#### Aims and Outcomes

Aims	1. To develop students' knowledge of essential research methodologies 2. To prepare students to carry out Masters dissertations and/or practical projects 3. To develop students' critical analysis/interpretation skills
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**After completing the module the student should be able to:**

### Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Demonstrate knowledge of academic research methods
MLO2	2	Critically analyse key research methodologies
MLO3	3	Evaluate and select appropriate research methods for dissertation or practical project
MLO4	4	Define a question/topic appropriate to a Masters dissertation or practical project
MLO5	5	Plan and consider the execution of a Masters level dissertation or practical project

### Module Content

Outline Syllabus	Choosing research/project topics: aims/objectives; research questions and hypothesis; literature review and underpinning theories; paradigms: positivism and interpretivism; research/project methods: quantitative and qualitative approaches; survey, content analysis, interview and focus group; data analysis and use of software; validity and reliability in research; ethical issues in research and practical journalism; critical analysis and self-reflection; referencing;
Module Overview	
Additional Information	This module teaches skills required for Masters dissertation or Masters practical project, including providing an understanding of research methods and the production of research papers and dissertations. It should develop the students' research skills and allow them to plan and develop the early part of the dissertation or practical project

### Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Essay	Essay	100	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4, MLO5

### Module Contacts

#### Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Pete Leydon	Yes	N/A

#### Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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