

Summary Information

Module Code	7526IST
Formal Module Title	Public Affairs 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	22
Seminar	11

Module Offering(s)

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

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	1. To equip students with a good working knowledge of the operation of local and central government. 2. To equip students with the skills required to report the affairs of government in a compelling way. 3. To develop student's ability to critically evaluate the impact of political institutions on journalists and citizens.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Apply knowledge and critical understanding of how both local and central government work
MLO2	2	Evaluate the role of local and central government institutions and have a critical understanding of how journalists find and tell stories from local and central
MLO3	3	Understand and critically evaluate how journalists find, interpret and tell stories from publicly available data
MLO4	4	Understand, analyse and critically evaluate how journalistic techniques can hold local and central government to account.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	The role of the government and politicians; Greece's relationship with Europe and its institutions; Local government/council structure and decision making; Holding central and local government to account – elections; Holding central and local government to account – the role of journalists – Freedom of Information and Data covering councils; Controlling money – local and national economy; Controlling money – local government finance; The structure and funding of key services such as health, education, children and adult services, planning and the environment, welfare, emergency services.
Module Overview	
Additional Information	This is an option for MA Sports Journalism.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Essay	Essay	50	0	MLO2, MLO4
Exam	Examination	50	1.5	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4

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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