

PO386-30 PPE Dissertation

22/23

Department

Politics & International Studies

Level

Undergraduate Level 3

Module leader

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Credit value

30

Module duration

30 weeks

Assessment

100% coursework

Study location

University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

Description

Introductory description

N/A

Module aims

To give students the opportunity to (a) design and carry out a project involving research or critical review in a chosen field at the interfaces of philosophy, politics, and economics (b) to develop a deep knowledge of the chosen research topic (c) to develop written communication skills (d) to develop time-management skills in the establishment of a research and writing plan (e) to develop research skills (f) to develop IT skills in presenting the dissertation and using on-line resources while researching the topic.

Note: Students who wish to carry out research involving the gathering and use of quantitative data and econometric methods should choose EC331 Research in Applied Economics, regardless of the specific focus of their project.

Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

There is no syllabus. Students apply their previous learning to a problem of their own choice.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Define a significant problem at the interface of at least two of philosophy, politics, and economics that can be effectively answered with a sustained argument within the confines of the word limit and available resources.
- Use appropriate evidence from a variety of sources to support a sustained argument.
- Develop the scholarly tools of appropriate citation of sources.
- Work independently to a strict deadline.
- Collect and evaluate research material from a variety of sources.
- Present findings in a written report that integrates insights from at least two of philosophy, politics, and economics.

Research element

Writing a dissertation.

Interdisciplinary

Research topic at the interface of philosophy, politics and economics

Subject specific skills

Knowledge and understanding of a research topic at the interface of philosophy, politics and economics; Research Skills; IT Skills; Written communication; independent learning skills (incl. time management).

Transferable skills

Research Skills; IT Skills; Written communication; independent learning skills (incl. time management).

Study

Study time

Type	Required
Lectures	4 sessions of 1 hour (1%)
Tutorials	(0%)
Total	300 hours

Type	Required
Project supervision	5 sessions of 1 hour (2%)
Private study	291 hours (97%)
Total	300 hours

Private study description

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Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You must pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group A1

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Dissertation	100%		Yes (extension)
A 10,000-word dissertation.			

Feedback on assessment

Verbal feedback in supervision.

Feedback on the dissertation, using a feedback form, will be provided after the final examination results are announced.

Availability

Courses

This module is Optional for:

- Year 4 of UPHA-V7MM Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics (with Intercalated year)