LA304-15 Supervised Project: Dramatized Dissertation

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Department
School of Law
Level
Undergraduate Level 3
Module leader
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Credit value
15
Module duration
10 weeks
Assessment
100% coursework
Study location
University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

Description

Introductory description

The supervised project allows students to undertake independent study to complete one of a range of outputs. These may include a researched dissertation; reasoned policy briefing; a legal judgment re-written from a particular socio-legal perspective; a piece of investigative journalism a dramatized dissertation; or other creative piece of work. Students will be able to choose from a range of these options each year, depending on staff availability.

Module aims

The module provides students with the opportunity to undertake a piece of in-depth research or other project on a topic chosen by them. It aims to provide students with a high degree of responsibility for the learning process and will require them to manage their own learning, reflect on it critically, and seek and use constructive feedback.

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 set syllabus given that each project is individual to the student. However, general skills based lectures/workshops will be provided to introduce students to research methods, research ethics, managing supervision relationship, and developing writing skills to enable students to commence independent project work early in the term. Students will meet in groups with supervisors to discuss plans, ongoing work and review examples of good practice. Individual supervision will be reserved for feedback on draft writing.

Learning outcomes

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

- Plan, structure, write, and reference an independent research project on a chosen subject
- Identify, employ and critically evaluate a range of primary and secondary sources relevant to their topic area
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of key concepts and principles in their area of research
- Construct a narrative in a clear, lucid and coherent manner which is appropriate to their chosen project
- Present their writing in a style which is suitable for and persuasive to their chosen audience

Research element

The project requires independent learning and research as a central element of the module.

Interdisciplinary

If relevant to the individual project

International

If relevant to the individual project

Subject specific skills

Specific skills will depend on the nature of the project adopted

Transferable skills

Research
Writing or production of media such as podcast, video or other creative work depending on the individual project

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Study

Study time

Type	Required	Optional
Lectures	3 sessions of 2 hours (4%)	4 sessions of 1 hour
Seminars	2 sessions of 2 hours (3%)	
Tutorials	2 sessions of 2 hours (3%)	
Project supervision	1 session of 30 minutes (0%)	
Private study	105 hours 30 minutes (70%)	
Assessment	30 hours (20%)	
Total	150 hours	

Private study description

Students will be doing independent research and writing in order to make progress on their project.

Costs

Category	Description	Funded by	Cost to student
Other	It is proposed to make a fund available to which students can apply if they are doing empirical work where there are costs associated with research or if they have opportunities to present their work to external audiences	Department	£0.00

Assessment

You must pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group A

Assessment component	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Project	100%	30 hours	Yes (extension)

The exact nature of the assessment will depend on the project chosen by the student. After submission of their assessment, students may be required to sit an oral viva where they discuss with examiners the work that they have produced.

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification

Reassessment component is the same

Feedback on assessment

Regular group sessions and one individual feedback sessions on draft work prior to submission of final assessed work

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Availability

Anti-requisite modules

If you take this module, you cannot also take:

- LA399-30 Supervised Project: Classic Dissertation

Courses

This module is Core for:

- Year 3 of ULAA-M130 Undergraduate Law
- ULAA-M131 Undergraduate Law (4 Year)
    - Year 3 of M130 Law
    - Year 4 of M131 Law (4 year)
- Year 4 of ULAA-M132 Undergraduate Law (Year Abroad)
- Year 4 of ULAA-M135 Undergraduate Law and Sociology
- Year 4 of ULAA-M134 Undergraduate Law with German Law
- Year 3 of ULAA-M136 Undergraduate Law with Humanities (3 Year)

This module is Core optional for:

- Year 3 of ULAA-M130 Undergraduate Law
- Year 3 of ULAA-M131 Undergraduate Law (4 Year)
- Year 4 of ULAA-M132 Undergraduate Law (Year Abroad)
- Year 4 of ULAA-M135 Undergraduate Law and Sociology
- Year 4 of ULAA-M133 Undergraduate Law with French Law
- Year 4 of ULAA-M134 Undergraduate Law with German Law
- Year 3 of ULAA-M136 Undergraduate Law with Humanities (3 Year)