

MODULE SYLLABUS

Classics Dissertation

HPAH6028



Module Code: HPAH6028
Credit points: 40
Pre-requisites/restrictions: None
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GENERAL INFORMATION

This is a substantial piece of independent personal research, based upon a topic of personal interest to the student and determined by the nature of the programme up to this point. • The focus of study is identified by the student. The aim is for the student to identify a body of material to study, to develop an appropriate and meaningful research question, to develop appropriate methodological and theoretical approaches to answer this research question, and to situate their work within the wider academic literature of their chosen discipline. • Students will also be required to submit a report of their research and an oral presentation as part of the process of writing their dissertation.

AIM(S)

- To enable the student to undertake an independent research project.
- To enable the students to identify an appropriate and meaningful research question, and to develop appropriate methodological and theoretical approaches to answer this research question.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon the successful completion of this module, the student should be able to:

- Identify a suitable topic and question for in-depth research.
- Construct and manage a sizeable body of raw data drawn from extensive research amongst source materials.
- Critically evaluate that body of raw data, drawing interpretations and conclusions that are informed and rooted in the original research.
- Embed those ideas and conclusions within a framework of established scholarly writing and theoretical explanation.
- Write up the results of personal research in a clear, structured and extended format.

OFFICE HOURS/HOW TO CONTACT US

You will meet with your supervisor every Tuesday, 9-10, in Arts 4 (or wherever your supervisor tells you).

ASSESSMENT

Coursework

1. Report 5%
2. Oral presentation 5%

3. Dissertation 90%

Coursework

Coursework 1: A dissertation plan (equivalent of 1,000 words) (worth 5%). To include: (1) A project management chart; (2) a plan of the chapters, points and arguments expected to be made in the dissertation. To be submitted via the turn-it-in link on Moodle by 11/10/19, no later than 23:59.

Coursework 2: A 15-minute oral presentation on your dissertation (worth 5%) .To be submitted via the turn-it-in link on Moodle by 3/2/20, 23.59. The presentation schedule will be announced nearer the time.

Coursework 3: A 10,000-word dissertation (worth 90%). To be submitted via the turn-it-in link on Moodle and by hard-copy by 1/5/20, 3pm

General assessment information: coursework

Coursework submission for this module will be through Moodle. Please follow the instructions on the module's Moodle page for how to submit your work. You will also need to retain a second electronic copy of your work to be submitted, if deemed appropriate, to the module convenor.

Word count

Please be aware that if you go significantly over or under the word limit (i.e. more than 10%), you may be penalised.

REMEMBER that the word count includes everything apart from the bibliography, titles or captions. You must provide the word count clearly on the cover sheet.

Welsh First language

If your first language is Welsh and you would like to submit any assessed coursework in Welsh, please see the School Office as soon as possible to make arrangements for this.

Special needs / requirements

If you have any special needs (e.g. dyslexia, visual impairment) that need to be taken into account for the teaching of this module, please make sure that your programme director is made aware of this so that we can make sure that we fully support you in your studies.

Returning of work

Your coursework will be returned electronically through Moodle. Detailed feedback is given on the essay cover sheet but if you would like to discuss your work in more detail, speak to your supervisor.

In case of problems....

Do come and see us during office hours if you have any problems with the writing or planning of your piece of coursework. You are also welcome to see your personal tutor for advice.

Bibliography

You will need to create your own bibliography according to the topic you have chosen. More information about building a bibliography will be provided during the first weeks of the module.