

Programme Specification Document

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Overview

Programme Code	35920
Programme Title	Academic Practice
Awarding Institution	Liverpool John Moores University
Programme Type	Masters
Language of Programme	All LJMU programmes are delivered and assessed in English
Programme Leader	Philip Carey
Link Tutor(s)	

Awards

Award Type	Award Description	Award Learning Outcomes
Target Award	Master of Arts - MA	See Learning Outcomes Below
Recruitable Target	Postgraduate Certificate - PC	See Learning Outcomes Below
Recruitable Target	Postgraduate Diploma - PD	See Learning Outcomes Below
Alternative Exit	Postgraduate Diploma - PD	Identify learner needs and appropriate learning support mechanisms Critically explore disciplinary, local and external factors that influence academic practice Critically review the evidence base for effective assessment and feedback Critically reflect on professional practice and development in the context of the UK Professional Standards Framework Critically examine the implications of a diverse student population on academic practices Critically explore the factors that influence inclusive curriculum design Deconstruct mechanisms that support an inclusive student experience Consider the impact and influence of regulatory and advisory frameworks Examine the process of research in higher education. Review processes for supporting research in higher education Critically explore a specific role within academia

Alternate Award Names			
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External Benchmarks

Programme Offering(s)

Mode of Study, Mode of Delivery	Intake Month	Teaching Institution	Programme Length
Part-Time, Face to Face	September	LJMU Taught	5 Years

Aims and Outcomes

Educational Aims of the Programme

To support and accredit the professional development of staff with respect to learning, teaching and assessment in a Higher education context. To develop effective and theoretically robust academic practice in line with the UK Professional Standards Framework (UKPSF). To develop and sustain effective academic leadership associated with learning, teaching and assessment. To provide a foundation for effective supervisory practice. To enhance the capacity of staff to contribute the evidence base for academic practice.

Code	Description
PLO1	Identify learner needs and appropriate learning support mechanisms
PLO2	Review processes for supporting research in higher education
PLO3	Critically explore a specific role within academia
PLO4	Engage in pedagogic research
PLO5	Critically explore disciplinary, local and external factors that influence academic practice
PLO6	Critically review the evidence base for effective assessment and feedback
PLO7	Critically reflect on professional practice and development in the context of the UK Professional Standards Framework
PLO8	Critically examine the implications of a diverse student population on academic practices
PLO9	Critically explore the factors that influence inclusive curriculum design
PLO10	Deconstruct mechanisms that support an inclusive student experience
PLO11	Consider the impact and influence of regulatory and advisory frameworks

Learning Outcomes

Code	Description
PLO12	Examine the process of research in higher education.

Programme Structure

Programme Structure Description

To gualify for the Advance HE Fellowship Programme, students must successfully complete modules 7001ACADEM Teaching, Learning and Assessment (20 credits) and 7002ACADEM Inclusive Curriculum Design and Evaluation (20 credits). The CPD in Academic Practice will be awarded to students who successfully complete 40 credits in the following modules: 7001ACADEM Teaching, Learning and Assessment (20 credits) and 7002ACADEM Inclusive Curriculum Design and Evaluation (20 credits). The Postgraduate Certificate in Academic Practice will be awarded to students who successfully complete 60 credits in the following modules: 7001ACADEM Teaching, Learning and Assessment (20 credits) and 7002ACADEM Inclusive Curriculum Design and Evaluation (20 credits) and any one of the following modules; 7003ACADEM Developing Research Supervision (20 credits),7006ACADEM Pedagogic Research to Enhance Professional Practice (20 credits) 7008ACADEM Principles and Practice in Digital Education (20 credits) The Postgraduate Diploma in Academic Practice will be awarded to students who successfully complete 120 credits in the following modules: 7001ACADEM Teaching, Learning and Assessment (20 credits),7002ACADEM Inclusive Curriculum Design and Evaluation (20 credits) and 7006ACADEM Pedagogic Research to Enhance Professional Practice (20 credits) and any three of the following . 7003ACADEM Developing Research Supervision (20 credits),7004ACADEM Enhancing Academic Practice (20 credits),7005ACADEM Academic Leadership (20 credits),7008ACADEM Principles and Practice in Digital Education (20 credits) The MA in Academic Practice will be awarded to students who successfully complete 180 credits in the following modules: 7001ACADEM Teaching, Learning and Assessment (20 credits),7002ACADEM Inclusive Curriculum Design and Evaluation (20 credits),7006ACADEM Pedagogic Research to Enhance Professional Practice (20 credits) and 7007ACADEM Dissertation (60 credits) plus any three of the following 7003ACADEM Developing Research Supervision (20 credits),7004ACADEM Enhancing Academic Practice (20 credits),7005ACADEM Academic Leadership (20 credits),7008ACADEM Principles and Practice in Digital Education (20 credits)

Programme Structure - 180 credit points	
Level 7 - 180 credit points	
Level 7 Core - 120 credit points	CORE
[MODULE] 7001ACADEM Teaching Learning and Assessment Approved 2022.05 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7002ACADEM Inclusive Curriculum Design and Evaluation Approved 2022.02 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7006ACADEM Pedagogic research to enhance professional practice Approved 2022.02 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7007ACADEM Dissertation Approved 2022.02 - 60 credit points	
Level 7 Optional - 60 credit points	OPTIONAL
[MODULE] 7003ACADEM Developing Research Supervision Approved 2022.02 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7004ACADEM Enhancing Academic Practice Approved 2022.03 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7005ACADEM Academic Leadership Approved 2022.02 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7008ACADEM Principles and Practice in Digital Education Approved 2022.02 - 20 credit points	

Module specifications may be accessed at https://proformas.ljmu.ac.uk/Default.aspx

Teaching, Learning and Assessment

The programme will utilise a wide range of approaches to learning, teaching and assessment to support the acquisition of knowledge and skills. These will include: conventional didactic techniques, workshops, small group discussion, seminar. This will be supported by e-learning, through the LJMU VLE. The assessment strategy for the programme emphasises evidence-informed practice in association with robust theoretical analysis. All assessment is situated in the student's disciplinary context. To reflect the practice-focussed nature of the programme, where possible there is a degree of negotiation in content.

Opportunities for work related learning

The programme is designed to support teaching staff who are currently working in a Higher Education environment. It is, therefore, fundamentally associated with the workplace and practice. All teaching is rooted in an exploration of the relationship between theory and practice and the programme's assessment strategy focuses on assessment tasks that have direct relevance to practitioners

Entry Requirements

Туре	Description
Alternative qualifications considered	all applicants should have a graduate qualification or equivalent. Applicants should normally have a professional role in the support of learning in higher education. This includes lecturing staff, teaching assistants, staff in learner support roles, research staff with a substantive teaching role

Extra Entry Requirements