

## **MODULE SPECIFICATION**

Part 1: Information						
Module Title	Politics, States and Resistance					
Module Code	UZQSYE-30-1	Level 1				
For implementation from	September 2019					
UWE Credit Rating	30	ECTS Credit Rating	15			
Faculty	Faculty of Health and Applied Sciences	Field	Politics and International Relations			
Department	Department of Health and Social Science					
Contributes towards	BA (Hons) Politics and International Relations BA (Hons) Politics and International Relations with Foundation Year					
Module type:	Standard					
Pre-requisites	None					
Excluded Combinations	None					
Co- requisites	None					
Module Entry requirements	None					

#### Part 2: Description

This module provides students with an introduction to politics. It engages in an examination of contemporary theoretical approaches, political concepts and issues. One half of the module provides an introduction to concepts and theories of politics, for instance key concepts such as the state and its institutions, power, and democracy, as well as traditional and non-traditional political ideologies. The other half of the module is devoted to theories and case studies of politics of resistance, for instance popular/populist politics, gender and sexuality, social movements, and the impact of tradition, identity, and religion on politics, including country and case studies to provide in-depth study of political issues of specific countries.

#### Part 3: Assessment

Students will write a 1500 word literature review on a topic related to the material covered during semester 1. This piece of assessment will embed important skills such a how to conduct a literature search, as well as allowing students to summarise and reflect on the state of academic research on their chosen topic. This module will include workshop sessions dedicated to writing a literature review, including the examination of good and bad examples of literature reviews, as well as various in-class exercises that will enable students to receive formative feedback.

# STUDENT AND ACADEMIC SERVICES

Finally, an open book examination will allow for the students to demonstrate their understanding of the range of the subjects covered in the module. The examination will be designed to complement the subjects considered in the two assignments by allowing students to write more extensively on the material covered, under controlled conditions, though allowing students to access their notes and any relevant books they wish to bring. To allow students the time to refer to notes, the exam will allow for 2 hours of time. The referral assessments mirror the first-run. Identify final timetabled piece of assessment Component A (component and element) **A**: B: % weighting between components A and B (Standard modules only) 50% 50% **First Sit** Component A (controlled conditions) **Element weighting** (as % of component) **Description of each element** 1. Open book exam (2 hours) 100% **Element weighting Component B** (as % of component) **Description of each element** 100% 1. Literature review (1500 words) Resit (further attendance at taught classes is not required) **Component A** (controlled conditions) **Element weighting** (as % of component) **Description of each element** 1. Open book exam (2 hours) 100% **Component B Element weighting** (as % of component) **Description of each element** 1. Literature review (1500 words) 100% Part 4: Teaching and Learning Methods Learning Outcomes After successful completion of this module, the students will have developed and demonstrated: 1. Knowledge of the major theories and approaches to politics (Components A and B). 2. The ability to locate, evaluate and use relevant literature central to the study of politics (Component B) 3. The ability to construct clear and persuasive arguments pertaining to political issues and communicate those in a variety of formats (Components A and B). 4. The organisational skills to develop and present arguments in an open book exam setting (Component A)

Key Information Sets Information	Key Informa	tion Set - Mo	odule data				
(KIS) Contact Hours	Number of c	Number of credits for this module			30		
	be I allocated t	Scheduled learning and teaching study hours	Independent study hours	Placement study hours	Allocated Hours		
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	The table below indicates as a percentage the total assessment of the module which constitutes a;   Written Exam: Unseen or open book written exam   Coursework: Written assignment or essay, report, dissertation, portfolio, project or in class test   Practical Exam: Oral Assessment and/or presentation, practical skills assessment practical exam (i.e. an exam determining mastery of a technique)   Total assessment of the module:   Written exam assessment percentage   Coursework assessment percentage   100%						
Total Assessment							
Reading List	https://rl.talis.com/3/uwe/lists/6A3675F5-8FD6-0BC1-8B6E-9661316D6569.html?lang=en- US						

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