Module Title: Liberal Arts Research Project

Module Code: LIB6200

Credit Value: 15

Level: 5

Pre-requisite modules:

Content Description

This dissertation-based module requires students to design and conduct an independent research project within one of the disciplines of the constituent disciplines of Liberal Arts or an interdisciplinary topic. Supported by both research workshops and an academic supervisor, you will devise a research proposal, present on that topic, and then deploy suitable research methods and modes of analysis. You will present your findings in the form of an 8,000-word (or equivalent) research project.

Module Aims

The aim of this module are as follows:

- 1) To enable you to devise, plan, and complete an 8,000-word independent research project under the supervision of a member of academic staff and in accordance with the published guidelines;
- 2) To present your ideas in a convincing and coherent way, both in writing and orally;
- 3) To provide you with the space and intellectual support to engage critically and analytically with key debates in your chosen field of enquiry, and to situate them alongside other disciplinary approaches, engaging with the potential for interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary approaches your topic;
- 4) To prepare a proposal document, outlining planned work in a systematic way and encouraging you to be critically active and reflective in the way your project is conceived and executed;
- 5) To give you an opportunity to work independently on a substantial, self-managed project and further develop the research skills and methods you have acquired during the earlier stages of your degree programme.