

Proposed, 2024.02

Summary Information

Module Code	7515CATSCI
Formal Module Title	Communicating Transformational Social Change
Owning School	Biological and Environmental Sciences
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	15
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings	
Sarah Dalrymple	Yes	N/A	

Module Team Member

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Partner Module Team		

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Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
LJMU Partner Taught

Partner Teaching Institution

Institution Name

Centre for Alternative Technology

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	15
Practical	10
Seminar	5

Module Offering(s)

Offering Code	Location	Start Month	Duration	
APR-PAR	PAR	April	12 Weeks	

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	a) Examine the role of communication and engagement approaches in relation to public perceptions of transformational change towards a more sustainable society.	
	b) Critically appraise communication and engagement approaches to addressing current environmental challenges, including justice and impact.	
	c) Develop skills and knowledge in effective, ethical communication to foster behavioural and systems change towards sustainability and transformational adaptation.	

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

CodeDescriptionMLO1Make informed judgements through critical analysis of the importance of communication and engagement in supporting society in transformational social change.	

MLO:	3	Analyse the role of participation and leadership in transformational social			
MLO	4	Enhance understanding and meaningful engagement amongst an audience, through the effective, ethical communication of a required social behavioural change to a given environmental problem.			

Module Content

Outline Syllabus

Public understanding and responses to environmental challenges and risks. Communications in Environmental Campaigns and movements. Communicating environmental and sustainability science. Public engagement and Public Policy. Creative and interdisciplinary approaches to communicating environmental issues and transformational needs e.g. arts, narratives, and celebrity, technology and digital responses. Education and behaviour change. Engaging with diversity. Participation and leadership in transformational change. Action Research within the communications sphere

Module Overview

Additional Information

Indicative References:Cox, R & Pezullo, P (2016) Environmental Communication and the Public Sphere Palgrave MacmillanWhitmarsh, L., O'Neill, S. and Lorenzoni, I (Eds) (2010) Engaging the public with climate change: behaviour change and communication, Earthscan Priest, S (2016) Communicating Climate Change: The Path Forward Palgrave Studies in Media and Environmental Communication Palgrave Macmillan UKCorner, A & Clarke, J (2017) Talking Climate: From Research to Practice in Public Engagement Palgrave Macmillan

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Learning Outcome Mapping
Report	Communication Intervention	100	0	MLO1, MLO3, MLO4, MLO2