

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Fandoms and Subcultures
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	5
4	Module Code	MED5168

5	Module Overview
<p>This module offers an introduction to some of the ongoing academic debates on media fandoms and subcultures. Through readings, lectures, seminars and independent research, you will engage with key theoretical perspectives, methodological approaches and case studies in these academic fields. This module is intended to develop the knowledge and skills that you established in your first year, to develop your critical thinking and research skills and to enable you to gather, organise and use secondary and primary sources to express arguments coherently and effectively.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
<p>A three hour interactive session which incorporates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lecture content to introduce weekly themes. Group workshops focussing on critical debate and discussion and practical application, offering a space for you to explore your own areas of interest. 	

7	Module Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:	
	1 Use analytical modes and methodological approaches from the fields of fan and subculture studies to develop a research project which examines the role of the media in contemporary culture and identity.
	2 Interpret and illustrate the issues that emerge from your own research project by applying relevant theoretical perspectives from fan and subculture literature.
	3 Demonstrate how your findings contribute to relevant academic debates.
	4 Illustrate constructive engagement with module themes and activities.

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1	X		
2	X		
3	X		
4	X		

9	Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities	
Learning Activities	Hours	
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	30	
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	130	
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	40	
Total Study Hours:	200	