

**LJMU Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey (PTES) 2019**

MS.Sport Psychology

**August 2019**

**Introduction**

Information about PTES background, mode of delivery, response rates, confidentiality, use of results and the questionnaire itself are available in the institutional level report.

In programme level reports only scores for each question (without commentary) are presented and accompanied by student comments where applicable.

If a more detailed breakdown of responses (e.g. number or percentage of neutral or negative responses) or programme demographic profile are required (only for 10+ responses), please contact Elena Zaitseva E.Zaitseva@ljmu.ac.uk

**Care should be taken with interpretation of results due to the relatively small number of responses. Staff are encouraged to use their professional /academic judgement when interpreting the results and developing action points from the student evaluation.**

**Results**

9 students responded to the survey. The response rate for the programme is 31%

**Overall satisfaction**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Overall satisfaction (% of Strongly Agree and Agree) | LJMU | SCS | Programme |
|  | 85% | 83% | 78% |

**Teaching**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Staff are good at explaining things | Staff are enthusiastic about what they are teaching | The course is intellectually stimulating | The course has enhanced my academic ability | The learning materials provided on my course are useful | There is sufficient contact time between staff and students | I am happy with the support for my learning |
| LJMU | 90% | 92% | 86% | 88% | 85% | 72% | 79% |
| SCS | 88% | 87% | 88% | 91% | 87% | 61% | 76% |
| Programme | 100% | 100% | 75% | 89% | 100% | 56% | 78% |

**If you have any further comments on these issues then please provide them here. Please be as specific as possible:**

*Too many students on the course, which limits contact time with staff*

**Engagement**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | I am encouraged to ask questions or make contributions in taught sessions | The course has created sufficient opportunities to discuss my work with other students | My course has challenged me to produce my best work | The workload on my course has been manageable | I have appropriate opportunities to give feedback on my experience |
| LJMU | 90% | 82% | 84% | 69% | 80% |
| SCS | 87% | 79% | 87% | 65% | 78% |
| Programme | 100% | 56% | 78% | 67% | 67% |

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*In relation to the workload being manageable - neither agree nor disagree as in semester 1 we had 2 major deadlines on one day*

**Assessment and feedback**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | The criteria used in marking have been made clear in advance | Assessment arrangements and marking have been fair | Feedback on my work has been prompt | Feedback on my work (written or oral) has been useful |
| LJMU | 81% | 80% | 77% | 76% |
| SCS | 82% | 72% | 62% | 72% |
| Programme | 100% | 78% | 78% | 78% |

**If you have any further comments on these issues then please provide them here. Please be as specific as possible:**

*Feedback has sometimes been too vague*

**Organisation and management**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | The timetable fits well with my other commitments | Any changes in the course or teaching have been communicated effectively | The course is well organised and is running smoothly | I was given appropriate guidance and support when I started my course | I am encouraged to be involved in decisions about how my course is run |
| LJMU | 83% | 80% | 73% | 81% | 67% |
| SCS | 85% | 85% | 73% | 75% | 72% |
| Programme | 89% | 78% | 78% | 78% | 56% |

**If you have any further comments on these issues then please provide them here. Please be as specific as possible**:

*The course is run well by the actual staff but it is so badly organised.*

**Learning resources**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | The library resources and services are good enough for my needs | I have been able to access general IT resources when I needed to | I have been able to access subject specific resources necessary for my studies | I am aware of how to access the support services at my institution |
| LJMU | 87% | 91% | 87% | 80% |
| SCS | 92% | 92% | 90% | 76% |
| Programme | 100% | 89% | 100% | 89% |

**If you have any further comments on these issues then please provide them here. Please be as specific as possible:**

*Support services could be highlighted more*

**Skills development**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | As a result of the course I am more confident about independent learning | My confidence to be innovative or creative has developed during my course | My research skills have developed during my course | My ability to communicate information effectively to diverse audiences has developed during my course | I have been encouraged to think about what skills I need to develop for my career | As a result of the course I feel better prepared for my future career |
| LJMU | 84% | 77% | 83% | 78% | 80% | 80% |
| SCS | 85% | 73% | 85% | 83% | 80% | 82% |
| Programme | 89% | 89% | 89% | 78% | 89% | 67% |

**If you have any further comments on these issues then please provide them here. Please be as specific as possible:**

**Information**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Information provided by your institution: easy to find | Information provided by your institution: useful | Information provided by your institution: accurate |
| LJMU | 89% | 90% | 85% |
| SCS | 90% | 90% | 85% |
| Programme | 78% | 89% | 78% |

**If you have any further comments on these issues then please provide them here. Please be as specific as possible:**

**Language support**

When you started your course, did you consider yourself to be fluent in English?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | Yes | No |
| LJMU | 94% | 6% |
| SCS | 93% | 7% |
| Programme | 89% | 11% |

If 'No', to what extent do you agree or disagree that you have received appropriate support for your English language needs.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | Agree | Disagree |
| Programme | 0% | 0% |

**Motivation to study**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LJMU % Agree | SCS% Agree | Programme |
| To improve my employment prospects | 57% | 68% | 44% |
| To progress in my current career path (i.e. a professional qualification) | 64% | 68% | 89% |
| For personal interest | 47% | 56% | 44% |
| To enable me to progress to a higher level qualification (e.g. PhD) | 36% | 45% | 56% |
| To change my current career | 24% | 14% | 11% |
| As a requirement to enter a particular profession | 30% | 30% | 56% |
| To meet the requirements of my current job | 10% | 5% | 0% |
| Other | 1% | 2% | 0% |

**Comments ‘other’:**

**Choose this course because:**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | LJMU % agree | SCS % agree | Programme |
| The location of the institution | 48% | 34% | 33% |
| The content of the course | 44% | 46% | 11% |
| I have studied at this institution before | 32% | 36% | 11% |
| The overall reputation of the institution | 32% | 39% | 67% |
| Funding was available to study this particular programme | 22% | 14% | 11% |
| Delivery of the programme is flexible enough to fit around my life | 25% | 11% | 11% |
| Reputation in chosen subject area/department | 28% | 48% | 100% |
| The way the course is structured or assessed | 21% | 17% | 11% |
| The reputation of the course tutors | 20% | 35% | 67% |
| My employer advised or encouraged me to do it | 8% | 5% | 0% |
| The cost of the course compared to other institutions | 21% | 23% | 22% |
| It was recommended to me | 19% | 18% | 44% |
| Other | 4% | 2% | 0% |
| It is the only institution offering this programme | 11% | 18% | 0% |
| Graduates from this institution have good career and employment prospects | 13% | 20% | 33% |

**Comments ‘other’:**

## **Have you considered, for any reason, leaving your postgraduate course?**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Yes | No | Prefer not to say |
| Programme | 11% | 89% | 0% |

If 'Yes', what was the main (or most recent) reason that led you to consider leaving?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
|  | Programme % Agree |
| Difficulty balancing study and other commitments | 0% |
| Financial difficulties | 0% |
| Family, health or personal problems | 0% |
| There is not enough support for personal issues | 0% |
| There is not enough support for my learning | 0% |
| There is too much work | 0% |
| I have found this level of study difficult | 0% |
| I feel unsupported by my fellow students | 0% |
| The course is not what I expected | 100% |
| I might have chosen the wrong course | 0% |
| I might have chosen the wrong institution | 0% |
| Studying might not have been the right choice for me | 0% |
| Prefer not to say | 0% |
| Other | 0% |

**Please comment on one thing that has been most enjoyable or interesting on your course:**

*[NAME REMOVED] has been extremely helpful throughout the course and I feel like he's the only staff member who is actively trying to engage with the students and help them during their time on the course.*

*How interesting and engaging the tutors make the lectures, extra curricular trips, successful sport psychologists giving a talk in lectures*

*Hearing experiences from lecturers who have applied experience*

*The practical placement that I am engaging right now*

*Lecturers delivery of course content is good, thoroughly enjoy the enthusiasm they have in the delivery of information as it prompts engagement within the class.*

*During lessons we are encouraged to debate topics amongst ourselves, this is a great opportunity to learn from our peers as well as the tutors.*

*Being pushed to ask questions and engage, and learning from the best*

**Please comment on one thing that would most improve your experience of your course:**

*If all the students spoke more and interacted more*

*More contact time / more practical based elements*

*The practical placement again*

*More contact time with staff.*

*A bit more applied practice and career based information.*

*n/a*