ASSESSMENT GUIDELINE

Module Title  |  Dissertation
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Module Code  |  HEA00101M
Module Level*  |  7
Word Limit /Exam Duration  |  15,000 words
Assessment Type(s)  |  Dissertation

Marking Criteria
Guidelines should be read in conjunction with the marking criteria guidance for the module level* noted above: [http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/markgrid/](http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/markgrid/)

Confidentiality
It is a breach of confidentiality to disclose any personal information about a patient, service user, colleague, staff or any other person or place that could in principle enable them to be identified. For further guidance please refer to the departmental policy on Confidentiality at the following link: [www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/conduct/confidentiality/](http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/exam-assess/conduct/confidentiality/)

Assessment Timing
The deadline for correctly presenting a submission is MIDNIGHT on the published submission date.
The submission deadline is published on the Programme Assessment Schedule available on the following link: [http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/timetables/assessment-schedules/](http://www.york.ac.uk/healthsciences/student-intranet/timetables/assessment-schedules/)

Referencing
You must reference your work in accordance with departmental referencing guidelines which you can access via the following link: [http://www.york.ac.uk/integrity/harvard.html](http://www.york.ac.uk/integrity/harvard.html)

Assessment Guidance

**Formative Assessment**
1. You are invited to submit a 2,000-word (maximum) research proposal. The draft proposal could include:
   - Research title
   - Background: some core points outlining the background to the research case study
   - Literature review: core arguments, issues and debates from key pieces of literature
   - Main research question and any sub-question(s)
   - Indication of methodology and methods to be used
   - Ethics

2. You are invited to present your research idea/proposal containing the core components outlined in formative assessment 1 above. You can submit a PowerPoint presentation or where possible provide a real-time presentation via Skype.

**Summative Assessment**
You are required to submit a single piece of work – dissertation – conducted as individual study. Your dissertation must focus on a topic of international humanitarian affairs. The dissertation will demonstrate your ability to apply relevant methods, critical analysis and balanced arguments that lead to well justified and logically arrived conclusions. The dissertation should, but is not limited to, include:
   - Abstract
   - Introduction
   - Background
   - Literature review
   - Methodology
   - Findings, discussion and analysis
   - Conclusion
   - References

There should be a good use of references throughout each chapter of the dissertation.

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