Course Title: Dissertation 2			
Course code: MPL 104	**No. of credits:** 3	**L-T-P: 0-45-0**	**Learning hours: 45**
Pre-requisite course code and title (if any): MPL 173 and MPL 103			
Department: Centre for Post Graduate Legal Studies			
Course coordinator: LL.M Programme Coordinator	**Course instructor:** Dissertation Supervisor		
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Course type: Core	**Course offered in:** Semester 2		

Course description:

This course is an extension to MPL 103: Dissertation 1.

Under this course, students, in consultation with the Supervisor and in tune with the objectives of the study, shall follow the research method (s), collect and analyse data, answer the research problem/questions and write the final dissertation as planned in the 'research proposal' submitted in semester 1. The 'faculty panel' may permit modification of the proposal, but in exceptional circumstances only.

Course objectives:

1. Study the techniques of data collection, through the use of appropriate methods
2. Develop the skill of analysing the data to answer the research questions/test the hypothesis
3. Develop the skills for legal writing and collection of relevant research material
4. Master the use of a uniform citation method
5. Learn the techniques of editing, proofreading and citing a legal document
6. Understand the requirement of ethics in research and publication, and
7. Know where to publish/how to publish legal research

Course contents

S.No.	Topic	L	T	P
1.	Data collection and analysis	0	16	0
2.	Answering the research questions, testing the hypothesis and dissertation writing	0	16	0
3.	Research ethics	0	3	0
4.	Editing and proofreading	0	6	0
5	Publishing the research	0	4	0
	Total	0	45	0

Evaluation criteria:

1. Attendance for Tutorials (to be marked by the Supervisor): 10
2. Monthly presentation before the faculty panel (aggregate of marks awarded by all supervising faculty members present): 30
3. Evaluation of final dissertation (aggregate of the marks awarded by the Supervisor and an external examiner): 40%
4. Final presentation (aggregate of marks awarded by all supervising faculty members present):20%

Learning outcomes:

On completion of this course, the students would be able to:

1. Collect data, analyse them, and answer the research questions
2. Perform multidisciplinary research
3. Write research papers in law
4. Edit a research paper in law and proofread them, and
5. Publish their research effectively

Pedagogical approach

The supervisors shall be available for consultation on the designated tutorial hours (to be scheduled in the timetable). The Supervisor shall interact, guide, supervise and monitor the progress of the work of each student during these hours. The guide may also seek and consider the opinion of experts in the specific area of law under research. Apart from this, students are expected to present their progress before a 'faculty panel' comprising of all supervisors and other students every month.

Reading Materials:

Primary and secondary literature relevant to the topic shall be reviewed by the student.

Additional information (if any):

Student responsibilities:

1) To attend the tutorial sessions offered by their Supervisor as scheduled in the timetable and perform all assigned tasks
2) To attend and actively participate in the monthly dissertation seminars before the 'faculty panel.'
3) Comply with time schedules

Course Reviewers:

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