

Contemporary Criminal Justice

Module Code:	SAC6003-B
Academic Year:	2018-19
Credit Rating:	20
School:	School of Social Sciences
Subject Area:	Sociology and Criminology
FHEQ Level:	FHEQ Level 6
Module Leader:	Dr James Goddard

Additional Tutors:

Pre-requisites:

Co-requisites:

Contact Hours

Type	Hours
Lectures	21
Tutorials	6
Directed Study	170
Examinations DO NOT USE	3

Availability Periods

Occurrence	Location/Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 1 (Sep - Jan)

Module Aims

To explore the relationship between crime and other forms of social deviance in the UK. To analyse the patterns and processes of crime in the contemporary UK. To provide an overview of the scope of contemporary policies for dealing with offenders.

Outline Syllabus

Current and historical debates about deviance. The study perceptions of both crime and deviance. Contemporary criminal justice policy. The measurement of crime. Concepts and theories in the criminal justice field. Ethnicity and crime. Risk management of offenders. White-collar crime. Women and crime. The victims of crime. Violent crime. Joint enterprise. Sexual crimes. It is not envisaged that every topic in the syllabus will be covered in every academic year.

Module Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this module, students will be able to...

- 1
 - a) critically assess the main theoretical perspectives on deviance and its relation to criminality;
 - b) understand and appreciate in depth contemporary criminal justice policies and the debates surrounding them.
- 2
 - a) understand theoretical perspectives on forms of deviant behaviour;
 - b) identify and use the main concepts that inform criminal justice policy and the policy making process;
 - c) critique lay explanations of crime.
- 3
 - a) effectively find, use, analyse and present data from published crime surveys.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

Lectures will present overviews of the theoretical underpinnings of crime and deviance, the history, practice and social context of contemporary criminal justice policies and some associated issues within English criminal law (LO1a and b, LO2a). Seminars will be used to critically explore these in further depth and you will be directed to the topic for discussion (LO1a, LO2b and c). Further directed study for this module requires you to carry out independent reading relevant to the topics covered in the lectures. The exam assesses the learning outcomes through the application of research skills (LO2b, LO3).

Mode of Assessment

Type	Method	Description	Length	Weighting	Final Assess'
Summative	Examination - open book or seen paper	seen examination	3 hours	100%	Yes

Legacy Code (if applicable)

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Reading List

To view Reading List, please go to [rebus:list](#).

