

Module Details	
Module Title:	Criminological Theory
Module Code:	SAC4012-B
Academic Year:	2019-20
Credit Rating:	20
School:	School of Social Sciences
Subject Area:	Sociology and Criminology
FHEQ Level:	FHEQ Level 4
Pre-requisites:	
Co-requisites:	

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Lectures	24
Seminar	12
Directed Study	164

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 2 (Feb - May)

Module Aims
This module aims to: - Develop your awareness of the main issues, concepts and areas of knowledge within the field of criminology. - Provide an outline of the history of the development of criminological theory - Explain the relationship of criminological theory to the practices of the criminal justice system in the UK

Outline Syllabus
Defining crime; psychology and crime; violent crime; history of criminology; forms of crime; theoretical perspectives on crime; gender and crime; ethnicity and crime; social class and crime;

the mass media and crime; young people and crime; victimology.

Learning Outcomes

1	Discuss criminological theory using the correct terminology
2	Outline the main criminological perspectives on crime
3	Outline the historical development of criminological theory
4	Relate criminology to wider sociological issues in the UK

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

Face-to-face lectures and seminar discussions. The lectures provide both factual and theoretical information with the opportunity for whole-class exercises and discussion, which seminars will follow up with more interactive and in-depth discussion of particular theoretical issues already explored through directed reading.

The 2,500-word essay allows students to explore in depth a major issue covered in the module and develop the guided research skills and analytical techniques necessary for sustained undergraduate theoretical discussion. The mid-semester formative assessment will allow to explore your understanding of a criminological and receive written feedback in time to influence the development of your final, summative, assessment.

Mode of Assessment

Type	Method	Description	Length	Weighting
Formative	Coursework	Written analysis of a criminological issue related to broader criminological theory.	-750 words	%
Summative	Coursework	Essay	-2500 words	100%

Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit <https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html>.

Please note:

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