Liverpool John Moores University

Title: SOCIAL DIVISIONS AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Status: Definitive

Code: **4000LAWCJ** (107764)

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Owning School/Faculty: Law Teaching School/Faculty: Law

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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ4 Value: 12.00 Delivered 37.50

Hours:

Total Private

Learning 120 Study: 82

Hours:

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	24.000
Tutorial	12.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Coursework 1 essay of 2000 words	40.0	
Exam	AS2	Examination	60.0	1.50

Aims

To introduce students to the key debates concerning social divisions and criminal justice, the question of victimisation and the policy responses to crime

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Describe the processes involved in how crime comes to be defined and explained
- 2 List and understand the issues around the major social divisions, in particular race, gender, social class and age
- 3 Describe the impact of the major social divisions on the nature and extent of crime
- 4 Describe the impact of the major social divisions on the treatment of offenders in the criminal justice system
- 5 Identify the key issues involved in the social contruction of the victim
- 6 Describe different policy responses to crime and their relationship to social divisions

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

CW 1 2 3 6

EXAM 3 4 5

Outline Syllabus

- S1 Introduction to the concept 'Crime'-Definitions and Extent
- S2 Gender Crime and Criminal Justice
- S3 'Race', Crime and Criminal Justice
- S4 Social Class, Crime and Criminal Justice
- S5 Age, Crime and Criminal Justice
- S6 Homelessness and Criminal Justice

Learning Activities

The module will be delivered in either lecture/seminar/workshop styles. There will be an emphasis on student participation.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Box. S,
Publishing Year	1983
Title	Power, Crime and Mystification
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: Tavistock
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Cook. D,

Publishing Year	1997
Title	Poverty, Crime and Punishment
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: Child Poverty Action Group
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Croall. H,
Publishing Year	1998
Title	Crime and Society in Britain
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London: Longmore
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Bowling B & Phillips C
Publishing Year	2002
Title	Racism, Crime and Justice
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Longman Pearson Education Essex
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Newburn T
Publishing Year	2003
Title	Crime and Criminal Justice Policy
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London Longman
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Heidensohn F
Publishing Year	1989
Title	Crime and Society
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Macmillan London
ISBN	

Notes

This module will introduce students to a range of key contemporary debates

concerning the nature of extent of crime through an analysis of the major social divisions in the UK. It will also introduce students to issues of victimisation and policy responses to crime.