

Summary Information

Module Code	5019LAWCJ
Formal Module Title	Decision Making in Criminal Justice
Owning School	Justice Studies
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 5
Grading Schema	40

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Robert Hesketh	Yes	N/A

Module Team Member

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Justice Studies

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
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Lecture	22
Online	11
Workshop	20

Module Offering(s)

Offering Code	Location	Start Month	Duration
JAN-MTP	MTP	January	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	To build on students' knowledge of the decision making process in criminal justice in England and Wales To theorise decision making processes To explore the role of risk in the decision making process To examine the decision making process via criminal justice case studies
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Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Code	Description
MLO1	Identify decision makers and the decision making process in criminal justice in England and Wales.
MLO2	Identify the decision makers' frame and field in the decision making process.
MLO3	Identify the role of 'risk' in the decision making process.
MLO4	Critically evaluate policy and practice in the decision making process.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus
Thinking about decision making and decision makers Decision making theories and perspectives Contextualising decision making and decision makers The role of 'risk' in decision making Criminal justice case studies in decision making from the reporting and recording of crime through to sentencing and punishment

Module Overview
This module will build on your knowledge of the decision making process in criminal justice in England and Wales.

Additional Information

This module is designed for students studying criminal justice and students studying either forensic psychology or LLB Law alongside criminal justice. It aims to further develop students understanding of the decision making process in criminal justice in England and Wales. Key players and key decisions will be contextualised in relation to the practitioners frame and field of reference. The pivotal role played by 'risk', risk assessment, risk aversion and risk management will be critically examined. The key players and key decisions will be critically investigated via case studies centring on reporting, recording, sentencing and punishment.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Learning Outcome Mapping
Essay	4000 word case study	100	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4