

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Professional Development in Criminal Justice
Status: Definitive
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Owning School/Faculty: Justice Studies
Teaching School/Faculty: Justice Studies

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Academic Level: FHEQ5 **Credit Value:** 20 **Total Delivered Hours:** 49
Total Learning Hours: 200 **Private Study:** 151

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	22
Online	22
Seminar	5

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Portfolio	Portfolio	Reflective Portfolio - 2500 words total	50	
Practice	Interview	Interview, to be conducted via Zoom or Teams online as appropriate	50	

Aims

To provide students with the ability to develop self-awareness and identify skills to improve their employability in criminal justice and allied areas.

To provide students with an understanding of the relationship between theory, policy and the experience of practice in various criminal justice agencies.

To enable students to integrate the link between theory, policy and practice.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Evidence development in self awareness
- 2 Explore the range of opportunities of working with offenders and/or victims in the criminal justice system
- 3 Identify the ability to transfer skills required in the various criminal justice agencies
- 5 Link theory, policy and practice

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Reflective Portfolio	1	2	3	5
Interview	1	2	3	5

Outline Syllabus

Theme 1: Developing My Brand and Becoming Employable

Self Awareness

Understanding careers available

Personal profiles

Transferable Skills

Advocacy

Communication

Theme 2: Understanding the Sector and Becoming Employable

The sector requirements in relation to values, skills, motivators etc.

Contact with criminal justice agencies

Networking

Theme 3: Using my Brand and becoming Employable

CV's

Personal Statements

Interview skills

Learning Activities

Lectures - Direct teaching, Visiting speakers

Seminars - Group discussions, Role play, Reflection, Case studies

Online - Individual written and presentation skills, Individual work

Notes

The Criminal Justice team are clear in their concern regarding the need for students to gain key and transferable skills in addition to those gained through academic study, to compete successfully in the employment market. The module is placed at level 5 so that students will be able, early on in university life, to recognise and reflect upon their own potential, identify the skills, knowledge and experience that is needed to be able to access target career areas, and encourage a more realistic and considered approach in the jobs taken post graduation.