Criminal Justice Policy, Practice and the Evidence Base

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	5027LAWCJ
Formal Module Title	Criminal Justice Policy, Practice and the Evidence Base
Owning School	Justice Studies
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	10
Academic level	FHEQ Level 5
Grading Schema	40

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Justice Studies

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	12
Online	12
Tutorial	12

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
SEP-MTP	MTP	September	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	1. To understand the theoretical and practical issues relating to policy formation2. To demonstrate a critical insight into the development of criminal justice policy3. To critically explore issues related to the implementation and delivery of policy across the criminal justice sector4. Critically appraise existing approaches to policy evaluation and analysis

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Understand the theoretical and practical issues relating to policy formation
MLO2	2	Demonstrate a critical insight into the development of criminal justice policy
MLO3	3	Critically explore issues related to the implementation and delivery of policy across the criminal justice sector
MLO4	4	Critically appraise existing approaches to policy evaluation and analysis

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	Introduction: What is Criminal Justice Policy Social Change and Criminal Justice Policy Criminal Justice and Social Policy The Criminal Justice Policy Making Process Student-Led Session on the Practices of Criminal Justice PolicyActors in Criminal Justice PolicyCriminal Justice Policy – Implementing and Experiencing Policy ChangeEvidence-Informed Policy DevelopmentEvaluating policy impact and critically assessing the role of research in criminal justice policy-makingThe influence of the public and media in engineering policy changeAssessment Preparation/Support
Module Overview	This module provides you with a critical awareness of how policy has developed in the criminal justice system in England and Wales. You are introduced to the theories and concepts of policy formation and you will consider case studies of the creation, implementation and delivery of criminal justice policy across the sector. The module will help you develop your critical thinking skills in reflecting upon the impact of criminal justice practice. The sessions will discuss all key institutions within criminal justice work â€“ the police, probation, prisons, youth justice, and courts â€“ and engages with significant pieces of policy and legislation that continue to shape how the criminal justice system functions.
Additional Information	The module provides students with a critical awareness of how policy has developed in the criminal justice system in England and Wales. Students are introduced to the theories and concepts of policy formation and consider case studies of the creation, implementation and delivery of criminal justice policy across the sector.The module will help develop students critical thinking skills in reflecting upon the impact of criminal justice practice. The sessions will discuss all key institutions within criminal justice work – the police, probation, prisons, youth justice, and courts – and engages with significant pieces of policy and legislation that continue to shape how the criminal justice system functions. The focus on policy making issues overlaps with course content concerning the Criminal Justice Process whilst the emphasis on reviewing research-informed articles will help advance the skills development that the research methods and dissertation modules develop.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Artefacts	2,500 word essay	100	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Matthew Millings	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings