

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: COMMUNITY PENALTIES AND PROBATION  
Status: Definitive  
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Owning School/Faculty: Justice Studies  
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**Academic Level:** FHEQ6      **Credit Value:** 24      **Total Delivered Hours:** 54  
**Total Learning Hours:** 240      **Private Study:** 186

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	26
Tutorial	26

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	2,500 word essay	50	
Exam	AS2	2 hour exam	50	2

### Aims

*To enable students to understand and critically assess the significance of community penalties with particular reference to England and Wales, and focusing on the role of the probation service and how this has changed over time.*

### Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate an understanding of the range of community penalties available in England and Wales.
- 2 Critically review the historical development of the probation service.
- 3 Consider critically the various theoretical frameworks and discourses which lie behind community penalties.
- 4 Appreciate and critically review the significance of the probation service and other relevant organisations in the operation and organisation of community penalties.

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

Essay	2	3		
Exam	1	2	3	4

## Outline Syllabus

*Introduction to the module*

*Probation histories: Origins & development (1907-1991)*

*Probation histories: Modernisation & changing structures (1991-present)*

*Probation values: Rights, justice & diversity*

*Sentencing and community penalties (non-supervisory measures)*

*Sentencing and community penalties (supervisory measures)*

*Probation: Structures, governance and accountability*

*'What works?' and effectiveness*

*Risk, dangerousness and public protection*

*Probation and prisons: Resettlement and reintegration*

*Partnership & inter-agency work*

*Community penalties, the media & public opinion*

*Probation practice: Intervention, engagement & enforcement*

*Probation practice: Assessment, planning & the Offender Management Model*

*Desistance and 'good lives'*

*Creating a market in offender services*

*Victims, probation & criminal justice*

*International perspectives on probation and community penalties*

*Conclusion: What future for probation and community penalties?*

## Learning Activities

Lectures

Group tutorials

Preparation of brief seminar papers

## Notes

This module aims to provide students with a critical understanding of the role, development and significance of community penalties in the criminal justice process. It will address the work of the probation service in England and Wales. Other relevant agencies in the organisation, operation and delivery of community penalties will be considered in relation to the justification for the use of such penalties.