

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: CASE STUDIES IN CRIMINOLOGY
Status: Definitive
Code: **6003CRIM** (114396)
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Owning School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science
Teaching School/Faculty: Humanities and Social Science

Team	Leader
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Academic Level: FHEQ6
Credit Value: 12.00
Total Delivered Hours: 19.00
Total Learning Hours: 120
Private Study: 101

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	1.000
Workshop	18.000

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	500 word proposal/plan of work	20.0	
Essay	AS2	2500 case study report	80.0	

Aims

- 1. To provide students the opportunity to conduct a focused piece of independent work, under supervision, on an area congruent with the themes and substance of the Criminology programme.*
- 2. To provide a vehicle for the improvement and development of a variety of transferable skills and abilities appropriate to the task in hand, from identification of appropriate topic/s through to the development of a study programme tailored to the needs of the student and the presentation of a clear, coherent and robust piece of written work.*

3. To complement other modules via the opportunity to apply theories, methodologies or techniques to a substantive topic of particular interest to the student her/himself.
4. To allow students the opportunity to monitor and reflect critically on their own learning.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Identify a manageable topic, and negotiate a plan of study, including a timetable, for an agreed programme of learning.
- 2 Identify and collect sources of information relevant to that.
- 3 Work independently on a topic of interest not covered elsewhere in the programme.
- 4 Develop study skills and abilities appropriate to the task in hand.
- 5 Critically engage with the relationships between the specific case under investigation and wider issues of theory, method, policy or practice in an area within the rubric of critical criminology.
- 6 Monitor and reflect critically on own learning.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

500 word proposal/plan of work	1	2	3		
2500 case study report	3	4	5	6	

Outline Syllabus

Introduction to module

Negotiation of case-study topic

Small-group discussion and supervision of case study

Learning Activities

One to one tutorials with allocated tutor and meeting with small group where appropriate, constructing bibliography of relevant sources, reflecting on and amending plan of work, preparing and producing final case study report.

References

Course Material	Book
Author	Crow, I. & Semmens, N.
Publishing Year	2007

Title	Researching Criminology.
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Milton Keynes, Open University Press.
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Jupp, V. Davies, P. & Francis, P. (eds).
Publishing Year	2000
Title	Doing Criminological Research.
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	London, Sage.
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	King, R. & Wincup, E. (eds).
Publishing Year	2000
Title	Doing Research on Crime and Justice.
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Oxford, Oxford University Press.
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Sapsford, R. (ed).
Publishing Year	1996
Title	Researching Crime and Criminal Justice.
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	Milton Keynes, Open University.
ISBN	

Course Material	Book
Author	Tombs, S. & Whyte, D. (eds)
Publishing Year	2003
Title	Unmasking the Crimes of the Powerful: Scrutinizing states and corporations.
Subtitle	
Edition	
Publisher	New York/London, Peter Lang.
ISBN	

Notes

Provides the opportunity for the student to undertake independent study of a topic,

congruent with the aims and themes of the programme, of great interest to her/himself and to develop a wide range of study skills in the process.