Criminalisation, Punishment and the State

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	6117CRIM
Formal Module Title	Criminalisation, Punishment and the State
Owning School	Justice Studies
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 6
Grading Schema	40

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Justice Studies

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Online	5
Tutorial	15
Workshop	22

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
JAN-MTP	MTP	January	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	1. Critically analyse recent criminological theory examining the increasing emphasis on 'crime' and punishment in contemporary statecraft and the management of social inequalities.2. Utilise case studies which illustrate the growing criminalisation of social policy and intersections of punishment across the policy terrains of penology and social policy since the late 1960s.3. Explore the limits of the logic of punishment and the current scope of criminalisation of social problems, locating discussion within a critical consideration of social divisions and state power.

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Critically assess the origins, trajectory and impacts of critical criminological theories of punishment.
MLO2	2	Examine critically the values, practices and processes of governance that underpin punishment within UK criminal justice systems, and allied agencies.
MLO3	3	Critically interrogate the relationships between a variety of social divisions and definitions, practices and effects of punishment.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	The module will critically explore critical criminological responses to the reconfiguration of punishment within a context of welfare retrenchment. It will draw upon key theories around punishment, social control and social harm to explore the management of social inequalities.The module will also consider the emergence and consolidation of the carceral state, the limitations of statecraft through penalisation and broader concerns regarding the criminalisation of social policy.
Module Overview	In this module you will study the complexity and intersections of punishment across the policy terrains of penology and social policy since the late 1960s. It explores the historical and contemporary landscape of punishment within a context of diminishing and increasingly conditional welfare provision in order to explore how critical criminology has contributed to our understanding of punishment, its role and its impacts. The module will encourage you to critically reflect on the reconfiguration of the state's power to punish.
Additional Information	This module addresses the complexity and intersections of punishment across the policy terrains of penology and social policy since the late 1960s. It explores the historical and contemporary landscape of punishment within a context of diminishing and increasingly conditional welfare provision in order to explore how critical criminology has contributed to our understanding of punishment, its role and its impacts. The module will encourage students to critically reflect on the reconfiguration of the state's power to punish.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Artefacts	Essay (2,500 words)	50	0	MLO1
Artefacts	Briefing Paper (2,500 words)	50	0	MLO2, MLO3

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings