

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	6201PSYSCI
Formal Module Title	Forensic and Investigative Psychology
Owning School	Psychology
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 6
Grading Schema	40

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Psychology

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	14
Online	12
Seminar	18

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
			12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	This module aims to allow students to critically evaluate and apply key forensic and investigative psychological theories and knowledge to real-world criminal cases.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Apply forensic and investigative knowledge to controversial issues within the criminal justice system.
MLO2	2	Convey critical discussions in a way suitable for dissemination to the general public.
MLO3	3	Link psychological, criminal justice, investigative and forensic knowledge and theories to real-world criminal cases.
MLO4	4	Formulate informed assessments of criminal cases using forensic and investigative knowledge to challenge pre-existing understanding.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	The module will involve a set of lectures covering key forensic and investigative psychology topics. The following are indicative topics and will be based on staff availability: Introduction to forensic and investigative psychology Court processes, expert evidence, jury bias, and DNA evidence Interviewing suspects, detecting deception and false confessions Witness testimony, false memories and memory bias Offender profiling Social and environmental factors of crime Psychological and personality factors of crime
Module Overview	This module aims to allow you to critically evaluate and apply psychological theories and knowledge in relation to real-world forensic problems. You will work in cross-disciplinary groups to critically explore and evaluate a range of potential solutions to real-world problems.
Additional Information	This module aims to provide a comprehensive overview of forensic and investigative psychology as a subject. Students who complete this module will obtain vital knowledge and skills, which will inform their future careers regardless of the path they choose.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Practice	A short blog post	20	0	MLO1, MLO2
Essay	Report on case study	80	0	MLO1, MLO3, MLO4

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Victoria Blinkhorn	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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