

Summary Information

Module Code	6503HASS
Formal Module Title	Criminal Justice and Penal Policy
Owning School	Nursing and Allied Health
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 6
Grading Schema	40

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Julie Connolly	Yes	N/A

Module Team Member

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
LJMU Partner Taught

Partner Teaching Institution

Institution Name
Nelson and Colne College Group

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	22
Seminar	14

Module Offering(s)

Offering Code	Location	Start Month	Duration
JAN-PAR	PAR	January	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	This module will explore theoretical, political, practical and policy issues which have informed and continue to inform the purpose and operation of the criminal justice system and penal system within England and Wales. It will critically examine the aims and objectives of punishment and treatment/rehabilitation strategies used within the penal system in dealing with adult and youth offenders. This module examines some of the key issues pertinent to the operation and functioning of the criminal justice and penal systems in England and Wales. It is intended that students will be able to critically analyse and contextualise a number of ideologies, rationales and policies that determine the aims and operation of these systems in relation to the management and handling of adult and youth offenders from the point of sentencing onwards.
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Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Code	Description
MLO1	Critically evaluate some of the philosophical, moral, social and penological questions and issues raised by the use of punishment within the English penal system.
MLO2	Analyse political and penal policy responses to some of the contemporary issues faced by the modern English Criminal Justice and Penal systems.
MLO3	Draw analytical contrasts and comparisons in the purpose and efficacy of range of penal sanctions used by the English Criminal Justice system in response to offending behaviour.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus

Justification and explanations of punishment Philosophical approaches to the justification of punishment Historical and contemporary sociological explanations Punishment and human rights Legitimacy Social justice Custodial and non-custodial sentences History and purpose of prisons and imprisonment Prison population and prison life Alternative punishments - non-custodial sentences Management of offenders Efficiency of custodial and non-custodial sentences Historical and contemporary issues Penal reform Penal policies, social justice and political strategies Offender rehabilitation Historical and contemporary rehabilitation strategies in custodial and non-custodial settings Offender treatment programs and rehabilitation strategies for certain types of offending behaviour and certain offender profiles Bias in the criminal justice system Class Gender Ethnicity Young offenders

Module Overview

Additional Information

None

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Learning Outcome Mapping
Report	Report	100	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3