

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: CRIMINAL JUSTICE & PENAL POLICY  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **6506CPHEA** (100075)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Nursing and Allied Health  
Teaching School/Faculty: Accrington & Rossendale College

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**Academic Level:** FHEQ6  
**Credit Value:** 20.00  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 47.00  
**Total Learning Hours:** 200  
**Private Study:** 153

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	42.000
Tutorial	3.000

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Exam	AS1	Exam: 2 hours (unseen)	50.0	2.00
Essay	AS2	CW1: Essay (3000 words)	50.0	

### Aims

*To explore theoretical, political, practical & 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.*

*Critically examine the aims and objectives of punishment and treatment/rehabilitation strategies used within the penal system in dealing with adult & youth offenders.*

## Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Critically evaluate some of the philosophical, moral, social and penological questions and issues raised by the use of punishment within the English penal system.
- 2 Critically analyse political and penal policy responses to some of the contemporary issues and problems/crises faced by the modern English Criminal Justice and Penal systems.
- 3 Draw analytical contrasts and comparisons in the purpose & efficacy of range of penal sanctions used by the English Criminal Justice system in response to offending behaviour.

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

EXAM	1	2	3
Essay	2	3	

## Outline Syllabus

*Development & modern day organisation, functioning & purpose of the English criminal justice & penal systems. Examine and evaluate penological theories, policies, political strategies, aims and uses of: sentencing; the use, legitimacy & efficacy of imprisonment and community sentences; the management of offenders in custodial & non-custodial settings; contrast the contribution different forms of punishment can have on offending behaviour/recidivism. Youth Offenders: the Youth Court and sentencing options, practices, issues, reforms and developments. Examine & contrast welfarist & penal responses towards youth offenders including: political, penological & welfare policies in the management & handling of youth offenders in custodial and non-custodial contexts. Evaluate penal & social policy initiatives intended to divert youth offenders from prosecution and to lessen likelihood of recidivism - e.g. growth in reintegrative shaming & restorative justice techniques. Offender rehabilitation: examine historical and modern offender treatment programs/rehabilitation strategies used in custodial and non-custodial settings for certain types of offending behaviour e.g.: drug/alcohol users, sexual offenders, violent offenders, young offenders, offenders with mental health disorders.*

## Learning Activities

Lectures, videos, group work, discussions & independent study.

## References

<b>Course Material</b>	Book
<b>Author</b>	Cavadino M & Dignan J
<b>Publishing Year</b>	2007
<b>Title</b>	The Penal System
<b>Subtitle</b>	
<b>Edition</b>	4th edition
<b>Publisher</b>	Sage Publications
<b>ISBN</b>	

<b>Course Material</b>	Book
<b>Author</b>	Gelsthorpe L & Morgan R (eds)
<b>Publishing Year</b>	2007
<b>Title</b>	Handbook on Probation
<b>Subtitle</b>	
<b>Edition</b>	
<b>Publisher</b>	Willan Publishing
<b>ISBN</b>	

<b>Course Material</b>	Book
<b>Author</b>	Grant C
<b>Publishing Year</b>	2007
<b>Title</b>	Crime and Punishment in Contemporary Culture
<b>Subtitle</b>	
<b>Edition</b>	
<b>Publisher</b>	Routledge
<b>ISBN</b>	

<b>Course Material</b>	Book
<b>Author</b>	Moore, R (ed)
<b>Publishing Year</b>	2006
<b>Title</b>	Managing Persistent and Serious offenders in the Community
<b>Subtitle</b>	Intensive Community Programmes in Theory and Practice
<b>Edition</b>	
<b>Publisher</b>	Willan Publishing
<b>ISBN</b>	

<b>Course Material</b>	Book
<b>Author</b>	Smith, R
<b>Publishing Year</b>	2007
<b>Title</b>	Youth Justice
<b>Subtitle</b>	
<b>Edition</b>	
<b>Publisher</b>	Willan Publishing
<b>ISBN</b>	

<b>Course Material</b>	Book
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<b>Author</b>	Ward T, Maruna S
<b>Publishing Year</b>	2006
<b>Title</b>	Rehabilitation
<b>Subtitle</b>	
<b>Edition</b>	
<b>Publisher</b>	Routledge
<b>ISBN</b>	

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## Notes

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 understand and contextualise a number of ideologies, rationales & 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. Regular tutorials will provide opportunities for informal formative assessment to support student learning and discuss their overall progress.