

Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Advanced Investigation Skills
Status: Definitive
Code: **7110PS** (124504)
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Owning School/Faculty: Justice Studies
Teaching School/Faculty: Justice Studies

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Academic Level: FHEQ7
Credit Value: 20
Total Delivered Hours: 48
Total Learning Hours: 200
Private Study: 152

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Runs Twice - S1 & S2

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	24
Tutorial	12
Workshop	12

Grading Basis: 50 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Report	AS1	Report 4500 scene exercises including Bibliography.	100	

Aims

The overall aim and distinctive quality of the module is to produce postgraduates capable of 'problem-solving' in the field of criminal investigations. This module will examine the administrative difficulties posited during a criminal investigation and the importance of investigative ethics. Further, this module will examine the contributions that forensics bestow upon criminal investigations.

Aims:

- 1. To introduce students to a core of foundational concepts of criminal investigations, understand, explain, analyse and evaluate causes, sustainment and consequences of a criminal incident.*
- 2. To encourage students to reflect upon, explain, analyse and evaluate critical evidence beyond a basic first responder response to investigate various criminal activities.*
- 3. To critically engage with, explain, analyse and evaluate the central issues surrounding criminal investigations, with an emphasis on hands-on learning with critical reflection to develop professional practice.*

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Analyse and evaluate criminal evidence at crime scenes and how evidence is used in criminal investigations.
- 2 Analyse and evaluate the different methods of conducting a criminal investigation.
- 3 Analyse and evaluate the challenges faced in completing a successful criminal investigation.

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

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Outline Syllabus

Complex Case and Serious Case Management
Crime Scene Investigation
Crime Scene Documentation
Recognition, Protection, Documentation and Collection of Physical Evidence
Crime Scene Safety and Hazardous Forensics
Fundamentals of Forensic Analysis/ Using Forensic Evidence
Ethics and Corruption
Legal and Operational Frameworks
Investigations and the Courts
Judgement and Decision Making
Transnational Policing in Investigations: Agencies Working Together
Case Study Critiques: What we have learned.

Learning Activities

The students are expected to engage in self-directed learning to develop their knowledge of the field and to prepare for interactive 2-hour lectures. Skills that will be developed include: critical thinking skills; note-taking; reading; small group

discussions; general contribution to classes; use of Canvas; preparation of seminars; private study; conduct analysis and evaluation; writing a research essay; presenting key findings.

Notes

This module takes cognisance of the National Occupational Standards – AA1, AB, AE1 & CB1.

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