

Investigative Interviewing

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7113PS
Formal Module Title	Investigative Interviewing
Owning School	Justice Studies
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Justice Studies

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	24
Seminar	12

Module Offering(s)

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

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	The overall aim and distinctive quality of the module is to critically explore the intersection of psychology and policing. Further, this course will examine current practices, techniques and applications of police interviewing. During this module students will be exposed to comparative international techniques in interviewing, interpretation of verbal and physical behaviour, causes of denial, deception and defensiveness. Aims:1. To introduce students to foundational concepts of forensic psychology and how psychological theoretical models can aid in conducting a police interview.2. To encourage students to reflect upon, explain, analyse and evaluate human behaviours and their relationship to interviewer intuitive judgements.3. To critically engage with, explain, analyse and evaluate the central issues surrounding the interaction between offenders and victims, with an emphasis on the motivations for false confessions.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Analyse and evaluate the complex issues that criminal investigators face when interviewing criminal suspects.
MLO2	2	Analyse and evaluate the role psychopathology plays upon criminal offences.
MLO3	3	Analyse and evaluate the different methods and ethical concerns of conducting interviews of victims and witnesses of various crimes.
MLO4	4	Analyse and evaluate how suggestibility can lead to false confessions and wrongful convictions
MLO5	5	Critically Explain the role that forensic psychology plays in police interviewing.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	Introduction to forensic psychology Psychopathology of criminal behaviours and psychopathic disorders Interacting with psychologically impaired criminals Interview suggestibility Classifying perpetrators attitudes, characteristics, risk factors, patterns, and behaviour False confessions and their motivations Interpretation of verbal and physical behaviour Indicators and motives of deception Psychological theoretical models of confession Critical analysis of investigator intuitive judgements Ethical considerations of interviewing Interviewing witnesses Mental Health Issues Interviewing victims (child and adult) Issues with witness/ victim memory cognition PEACE model ABE interviews Case Study Critiques: What we have learned.
Module Overview	The aim of the module is to critically explore the intersection of psychology and policing. It will also examine current practices, techniques and applications of police interviewing. You will be exposed to comparative international techniques in interviewing, interpretation of verbal and physical behaviour, causes of denial, deception and defensiveness.
Additional Information	This module takes cognisance of the National Occupational Standards – AA1, AB,AE1 & CB1. This module takes cognisance of the National Occupational Standards- CB1 / CJ101/ GC10 & BE2.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Centralised Exam	annotated bibliography	30	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4, MLO5

Essay	essay	70	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4, MLO5
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Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Richard Carr	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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