

Policing and Society

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7135PS
Formal Module Title	Policing and Society
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
Online	48

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
SEP-MTP	МТР	September	28 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	This module aims to provide students with a philosophical understanding of how the concept of policing has been constructed. It also aims to consider the role of the police and their role in society, from the viewpoint of both police practitioner and the public. The module aims to explore the different paradigms of policing: high and low policing; community policing and intelligence-led policing. It aims to explore key contemporary debates within policing such as police legitimisation, accountability, representation and independence as well as some key issues of controversy, such as: undercover policing; police corruption; police complaints and culture.
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Demonstrate a critical awareness of policing theories and philosophies
MLO2	2	Critically identify and synthesise contrasting models and styles of policing.
MLO3	3	Critically identify and contrast different structures of policing governance and accountability.
MLO4	4	Provide a critical evaluation of contemporary issues in policing.

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	The history of the British policing module. The role of police in society. The different paradigms of policing. The different approaches to police accountability. Current problems of UK police in meeting public expectations and legitimacy. Key contemporary policing issues.
Module Overview	
Additional Information	This module provides an introduction to policing and explores the different ways the police are contextualised in different societies over time. It also provides students with an account of the key paradigms of policing and offers a critique of them. Finally, recent controversies within British policing are explored and put into the wider international context.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Essay	2000 word bibliography	20	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4
Centralised Exam	3500 word report	80	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Peter Williams	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings