



## **Module Specification**

### Contemporary Issues in Policing

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## Part 1: Information

**Module title:** Contemporary Issues in Policing

**Module code:** UZSY7E-15-2

**Level:** Level 5

**For implementation from:** 2021-22

**UWE credit rating:** 15

**ECTS credit rating:** 7.5

**Faculty:** Faculty of Health & Applied Sciences

**Department:** HAS Dept of Social Sciences

**Partner institutions:** None

**Delivery locations:** Frenchay Campus

**Field:** Sociology and Criminology

**Module type:** Standard

**Pre-requisites:** None

**Excluded combinations:** None

**Co-requisites:** None

**Continuing professional development:** No

**Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements:** None

## Part 2: Description

**Overview:** Not applicable

**Features:** Not applicable

**Educational aims:** This module engages with key areas of research, policy and practice in the study of the police and policing in England and Wales.

**Outline syllabus:** This module will introduce you to aspects of the history and legal framework of policing in England and Wales. This framework creates the basis for students to examine a range of contemporary issues including gender, race and diversity in policing, and contemporary debates in policing such as police violence, Stop and Search, surveillance and legitimacy. Guest lecturers include serving police officers from operational and senior management positions

### **Part 3: Teaching and learning methods**

**Teaching and learning methods:** The module will be delivered through weekly lectures and seminars. In the seminars, student will be expected to have covered assigned material, and to participate in group activities to explore key concepts and issues.

#### **Module Learning outcomes:**

**MO1** Discuss and debate the role and function of the police as a criminal justice institution and their relationship with wider society (Component A)

**MO2** Evidence a detailed knowledge and understanding of contemporary developments in policing strategies, tactics and powers (Component A)

**MO3** Evaluate and discuss criminological debates relating to policing and police powers (Component A)

**MO4** Demonstrate a sound awareness of contemporary police research and policy and apply it within a broad theoretical framework of understanding (Component A)

**Hours to be allocated:** 150

#### **Contact hours:**

Independent study/self-guided study = 114 hours

E-learning/online learning = 36 hours

Total = 150

**Reading list:** The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://uwe.rl.talis.com/index.html) via the following link <https://uwe.rl.talis.com/index.html>

## **Part 4: Assessment**

**Assessment strategy:** Assessment for this module will comprise of one component which will enable students to achieve the learning outcomes of the module.

A 2000-word structured case study coursework component will enable students to go into greater depth on a topic (choice from 3) from the module, whilst including broader theories and themes too. The case study will require students to engage with policy, data and research on the topic and develop and apply this knowledge to create a detailed analysis of it. This assessment component will cover all learning outcomes.

The assessment has been selected as it requires different academic skills as well as fulfilling the requirement for non-controlled conditions of a standard module. Additionally, the assessment fits well within the wider programme, adding to the variety offered.

### **Assessment components:**

#### **Case Study - Component A (First Sit)**

Description: Case study - 2000 words

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

#### **Case Study - Component A (Resit)**

Description: Case study - 2000 words

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4

## **Part 5: Contributes towards**

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Criminology with Law [Sep][SW][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2020-21

Law with Criminology [Sep][SW][Frenchay][4yrs] LLB (Hons) 2020-21

Law with Criminology [Sep][FT][Frenchay][3yrs] LLB (Hons) 2020-21

Criminology with Law [Sep][FT][Frenchay][3yrs] BA (Hons) 2020-21

Criminology and Law [Sep][FT][Frenchay][3yrs] BA (Hons) 2020-21

Criminology and Law [Sep][SW][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2020-21

Criminology and Law {Foundation} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2019-20

Criminology and Law {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BA (Hons) 2019-20

Criminology with Law {Foundation} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2019-20

Criminology with Law {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BA (Hons) 2019-20

Law with Criminology {Foundation} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] LLB (Hons) 2019-20

Law with Criminology {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] LLB (Hons) 2019-20

Psychology with Criminology [Sep][PT][Frenchay][6yrs] BSc (Hons) 2018-19

Criminology [Sep][PT][Frenchay][6yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

Criminology with Psychology [Sep][PT][Frenchay][6yrs] BSc (Hons) 2018-19