STUDENT AND ACADEMIC SERVICES

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information			
Module Title	Contemporary Perspectives in Criminology		
Module Code	UZSY78-30-2	Level	Level 5
For implementation from	2020-21		
UWE Credit Rating	30	ECTS Credit Rating	15
Faculty	Faculty of Health & Applied Sciences	Field	Sociology and Criminology
Department	HAS Dept of Health & Social Sciences		
Module type:	Standard		
Pre-requisites	None		
Excluded Combinations	None		
Co- requisites	None		
Module Entry requirements	None		

Part 2: Description
Educational Aims: This module builds upon student learning at level one (UZSNLD-30-1 Introduction to Criminological Theory). In doing so, it aims to introduce students to contemporary criminological theories, and to equip them to apply and evaluate current theoretical developments in the discipline of criminology with reference to current crime issues and wider transgressions. **Outline Syllabus:** This is an indicative list of topics that will be covered, but will change from time to time depending on current social and political events: Late modernity and crime Migration/ Border criminology Masculinity theories Feminism Cultural criminology Public criminology Psychosocial criminology Criminology of War Risk Society Surveillance

These will be applied to contemporary issues such as:

Crimmigration
Terrorism
Graffiti
Extremism
Sexual Violence
State violence
Dangerous place and dangerous 'others'

Teaching and Learning Methods: The module will be delivered by one hour weekly lectures and seminars, alongside this students will be directed to one hour of online activity each week. Each of these sessions will enable students to develop both knowledge and skills as required by the learning outcomes set out below.

Part 3: Assessment

The assessment strategy for this module is informed by the learning objectives outlined below and is inclusive of formative and summative forms of assessment. This comprises the following:

Component A: An online conference style poster presentation accompanied by a 500 word commentary.

The Component A will take the form of an online conference style poster presentation that is accompanied by a 500 word commentary. Students will be required to produce an online conference style poster presentation using relevant IT that is accompanied by a 500 word commentary. This addresses Learning Outcomes 1-5.

Component B: A 2500 word report

The Component B will require students to complete a 2,500 word report in which they will evaluate the success of contemporary criminological theories, covered in this module, in explaining a specific crime phenomenon or social transgression. Students will have the opportunity to select the crime phenomenon or social transgression subject to the approval of member(s) of the teaching team. This addresses Learning Outcomes 1-5.

To support students' study skills, students will be advised and guided on the relevant study skill sessions on referencing and bibliography, translating reading into writing, note-taking, academic writing and presentational skills, which are organised throughout the year by the Library. Also, through module based online and seminar activities students will be able learn to successfully search for, and incorporate academic literature into their work. SafeAssign will be available to students via blackboard. This will be used as a tool for students to check and amend their work and for academic staff to also check all submitted work for potential plagiarism.

First Sit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description
Report - Component B	✓	60 %	2500 word report
Presentation - Component A		40 %	10 minute conference style poster presentation and commentary
Resit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description
Report - Component B	✓	60 %	2500 word report
Presentation - Component A		40 %	10 minute conference style poster presentation and commentary

Part 4: Teaching and Learning Methods	
Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes:

Module Learning Outcomes	Reference
Understand and evaluate contemporary criminological theories in verbal and written formats	MO1
Apply contemporary criminological theories to crime situations and transgressions	MO2
Draw upon empirical evidence and synthesise competing criminological concepts and theories	MO3
Demonstrate the ability to work independently and present criminological theory and arguments both in oral and written to develop a greater understanding of contemporary criminological theory	MO4
Understand and evaluate the intersection between theory, research and praxis	MO5

Contact Hours	**Independent Study Hours:**	
	Independent study/self-guided study	234
	Total Independent Study Hours:	234
	Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:	
	Face-to-face learning	66
	Total Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:	66
	Hours to be allocated	300
	Allocated Hours	300

Reading List	*The reading list for this module can be accessed via the following link:* https://uwe.rl.talis.com/index.html

Part 5: Contributes Towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Criminology with Law [Sep][FT][Frenchay][3yrs] BA (Hons) 2019-20

Criminology with Law [Sep][SW][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2019-20

Criminology with Law {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

Criminology with Law {Foundation} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

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

Criminology {Foundation} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

Criminology {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

Criminology and Sociology {Foundation} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

Criminology and Sociology {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

Criminology with Sociology {Foundation} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

Criminology with Sociology {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BA (Hons) 2018-19

Criminology with Psychology {Foundation} [Sep][FT][Frenchay][4yrs] BSc (Hons) 2018-19

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

Criminology with Psychology {Foundation} [Sep][SW][Frenchay][5yrs] BSc (Hons) 2018-19