

#### MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information						
Module Title	Understanding Vulnerability and Investigation					
Module Code	UZSK	EC-30-1	Level	1		
For implementation from	May	May 2019				
UWE Credit Rating	30		ECTS Credit Rating	15		
Faculty	Healt Scien	h and Applied ices	Field	Sociology and Criminology		
Department	Healt	Health and Social Sciences				
Contributes towards	BSc (	BSc (Hons) Professional Policing Practice				
Module type:	Stand	Standard				
Pre-requisites		None				
Excluded Combinations		None				
Co- requisites		None				
Module Entry requirements		None				

## **Part 2: Description**

This module will provide an introduction to a range of public protection issues as they relate to legislation, theories of crime and victimisation, research evidence, public policy and policing practice. It will focus broadly on issues of vulnerability and risk and frame learning around the THRIVE model (Threat, Harm, Risk, Investigation Opportunities, Vulnerability of the victim and the Engagement level required to resolve the issue). The module will include aspects of valuing difference and inclusion, counter terrorism and some aspects of digital policing.

As part of the focus on public protection apprentices will be introduced to key definitions, legislation and associated guidance. This learning will be framed around high profile cases of abuse which demonstrate the breadth of such incidents. This will help illustrate the impact of abuse on victims and equip apprentices with knowledge which can help them to identify potential public protection incidents when carrying out their duties. Apprentices will learn about the different initial actions they can undertake when responding to a public protection incident and the importance of taking a partnership approach to such incidents.

Apprentices will be introduced to the topic of 'vulnerability' in the context of operational policing and the national drivers for the police service in providing a professional and ethical service to people at risk. Apprentices will gain knowledge of some of the personal aspects of vulnerability and how other external factors can result in harm, or risk of harm to a vulnerable person, to enable appreciation of

the importance of appropriate support by the police and within the criminal justice system. E.g. special measures.

Building on this focus on vulnerability, apprentices will learn about the core principles of ethics, equality, diversity and human rights in professional policing and the way in which individual and organisational bias, prejudice, discrimination and stereotyping can be challenged.

Aspects of vulnerability will also be linked to issues of radicalisation and terrorism and apprentices will learn key counter terrorism terminology/concepts and the relevant key legislation. Apprentices will learn about the different roles, responsibilities and impacts that operational policing can have, especially as it relates to identifying vulnerabilities in a counter-terrorism context and taking appropriate action for safeguarding.

Finally, taking public protection and vulnerability issues further apprentices will learn about digital policing, local force strategy and gain an appreciation of the prevalence of technology and devices in modern society and how it may be used in everyday policing, and facilitate internet-based crime. Apprentices will learn about appropriate initial police responses to a crime scene involving digital devices and how to provide support to victims of internet-facilitated crime, although generic issues are covered in the Craft Skills module.

The module will include simulation opportunities and will be delivered via an intensive period of face to face learning.

## Part 3: Assessment: Strategy and Details

### **Summative assessment**

## **Component A**

Under controlled conditions, apprentices will write an Officers Report on a vulnerability issue, within which they will be asked to discuss main themes, multi-agency working, and identify good practice and areas of potential improvement; this will include a discussion around the ethics of the service.

**Rationale**: This will model the best practice format and content for an Officers Report and mimic real world conditions in which officers will be required to summarise information quickly.

## **Component B**

Apprentices will write a 1500 word critical reflection on a vulnerability issue as it related to an incident (simulated or in practice). Apprentices should draw on why the issue was of interest and what they would do with it/about it – agencies to engage and refer to, guidance etc.

**Rationale**: This will enable apprentices to develop their professional persona and reflect on knowledge acquired on the module.

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% weighting between components A and B (Standard modules only)		A: 50%	B: 50%			
First Sit						
Component A (co	ontrolled conditions) ach element		Element w	veighting		
1. Officers Report (2 hour exam)			100	100%		
Component B Description of ea	ach element		Element w	veighting		
1. 1500 word Reflection on Incident			100	100%		
Resit (further at	tendance at taught classes is	not required)				
Component A (co	ontrolled conditions) ach element		Element v	veighting		
1. Officers Report (2 hour exam)			100%			
Component B Description of ea	ach element		Element v	veighting		
1. 1500 word Reflection on Incident			100%			
	Part 4: Learning Ou	tcomes & KIS Data				
Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this module apprentices will be able to:					
Outcomes	1. Recognise the key definitions, legislation and associated public protection					

quidance. (Component A and B) 2. Demonstrate an understanding of the complex nature of vulnerability, risk and public protection and why these are important issues for policing. (Component A and B) 3. Explain the relevance of the THRIVE model to operational policing. (Component A and B) 4. Explain the importance of valuing difference and inclusion and the various considerations that are important when supporting a vulnerable person. (Component A and B) 5. Articulate indicators of radicalisation as related to counter terrorism. (Component A and B) **Key Information Key Information Set - Module data Sets Information** (KIS) Number of credits for this module 30 **Contact Hours** Hours to Scheduled Independent Placement Allocated be learning and study hours study hours Hours allocated teaching study hours 300 111 0 0 111 The table below indicates as a percentage the total assessment of the module which constitutes a; **Written Exam**: Unseen or open book written exam **Coursework**: Written assignment or essay, report, dissertation, portfolio, project or in class test **Practical Exam**: Oral Assessment and/or presentation, practical skills assessment, practical exam (i.e. an exam determining mastery of a technique) **Total Assessment** Reading List https://rl.talis.com/3/uwe/lists/392B13CB-BCE7-37DB-EFC8-7FF6BB4E5F9D.html?lang=en-US&login=1

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