

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information							
Module Title	Becoming an Evidence Based Police Practitioner						
Module Code	UZSKEH-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:	Project						
Pre-requisites		None					
Excluded Combinations		None					
Co-requisites		None					
Module Entry Requirements		None					
PSRB Requirements		None					

Part 2: Description

Educational Aims: See Learning Outcomes

Outline Syllabus: Building upon the knowledge and skills developed during Introduction to Evidence Based Policing (EBP) at level 1, this module will support apprentices to develop an indepth knowledge of published research in the field of Policing and more broadly within Criminology. It will also examine the theories of behaviour underpinning the research as well and the different methodologies used to conduct it. Apprentices will develop knowledge of the key debates within EBP and the strengths, weaknesses and practical implications of this research in relation to implementation and police practice.

Apprentices will engage in debates about what constitutes evidence in EBP and how they can apply it to their working environment as well as conduct new research and collect new evidence in operational contexts. Apprentices will also link this to professional standards with a view to understanding benefits and challenges to implementing this evidence in practice. In particular, the relationship between professional standards and community confidence will be considered as well as the impact of misconduct and how this can impact on the broader public view of policing.

STUDENT AND ACADEMIC SERVICES

The module will help apprentices to prepare for the research project component of the End Point Assessment (EPA) by developing key skills and knowledge to enable them to become evidence based practitioners. This will be facilitated through formative learning activities including lectures, group presentations, opportunities for independent research as well as structured seminars and workshops.

Teaching and Learning Methods: The module will comprise periods of intensive face to face and distance learning.

Part 3: Assessment

Summative assessment

Apprentices will be asked to identify a topic of interest from the module and/or their practical experiences and roles and present this in a 3000 word report. The report will require apprentices to summarise existing evidence based research on the topic, discuss the methods used to create this evidence and how the research could be applied to their current policing practices. Apprentices will also discuss what role, if any, professional standards may play in implementing this evidence in practice.

Rationale: This component will assess the apprentice's knowledge of EBP generally including key debates and issues as well as develop understanding of a specific area of EBP and its practical applicability to their working roles. It will also enable apprentices to discover how they could develop their own evidence based policing research in the future.

Formative assessment: small group work focussing on criminological theory and applying to a given scenario. To include preparing a presentation and receiving feedback from the lecturer and peers.

First Sit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description
Report - Component A	~	100 %	3000 word report
Resit Components	Final Assessment	Element weighting	Description

Part 4: Teaching and Learning Methods				
On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes:				
Module Learning Outcomes	Reference			
Demonstrate a broad understanding of the knowledge base underpinning EBP, including its terminology, strengths, weaknesses and key discourses	MO1			
Demonstrate appreciation that areas of this knowledge base are open to ongoing debate and reformulation	MO2			
Demonstrate knowledge of the challenges of applying EBP research in practice	MO3			
Demonstrate awareness of ethical issues associated with conducting EBP research and implementing its findings and be able to discuss these in relation to personal beliefs and values	MO4			
Demonstrate a detailed knowledge of professional standards issues in a local and national context	MO5			
Demonstrate understanding of broader criminological and sociological theories and their relationship to operational policing	MO6			
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Contact Hours	Independent Study Hours:						
	Independent study/self-guided study	226					
	Total Independent Study Hours:	226					
	Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:						
	Face-to-face learning	74					
	Total Scheduled Learning and Teaching Hours:	74					
	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: