

Module Details				
Module Title	A Critical History of Crime and Punishment			
Module Code	SAC4011-B			
Academic Year	2024/5			
Credits	20			
School	School of Social Sciences			
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 4			

Contact Hours				
Туре	Hours			
Lectures	24			
Seminars	6			
Directed Study	170			

Availability				
Occurrence	Location / Period			
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 2			

#### Module Aims

The module aims to:

- Provide an overview of both 19th-century and 20th century approaches to crime and criminal behaviour
- Provide a coherent understanding of changing offending patterns over time.
- Provide knowledge of the core developments in crime and punishment in the UK since 1834.
- Provide an understanding of the social and political origins of modern approaches to crime and punishment in the UK.

## **Outline Syllabus**

Victorian approaches to crime; the evolution of the UK prison system; the evolution of UK patterns of punishment; changing crime patterns over time; evolution of alternatives to custody; the links between post-war social change and crime patterns; the main public policy approaches to crime since 1945; public policy and mass media debates about the causes of crime.

Learning Outcomes				
Outcome Number	Description			
01	Explain the relationship between crime patterns and social history			
02	Analyse the relationship between the evolution of criminological theory and changing social patterns.			
03	Describe the origins of the modern UK criminal justice system			
04	Evaluate the links between crime patterns and social change in 20th Century Britain			
05	Debate the causes of crime in modern Britain.			

# Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

Lectures and class participation within the lecture sessions. During seminars, students will discuss issues raised in the lectures and through their reading.

The two-hour seen examination ensures that students develop independent research skills in preparing their answers and test their analytical skills across at least two areas covered in the module

Mode of Assessment					
Туре	Method	Description	Weighting		
Summative	Coursework - Written	Essay	80%		
Summative	Presentation	Written exercise completed during class time.	20%		

### Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit <a href="https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html">https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html</a>

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