

Module Details	
Module Title	Criminological Theory
Module Code	SAC4012-B
Academic Year	2024/5
Credits	20
School	School of Social Sciences
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 4

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Lectures	24
Seminars	12
Directed Study	164

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

Module Aims
<p>This module aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Develop your awareness of the main issues, concepts and areas of knowledge within the field of criminology.</li> <li>- Provide an outline of the history of the development of criminological theory.</li> <li>- Explain the relationship of criminological theory to the practices of the criminal justice system in the UK.</li> </ul>

Outline Syllabus
<p>Defining crime; psychology and crime; violent crime; history of criminology; forms of crime; theoretical perspectives on crime; gender and crime; ethnicity and crime; social class and crime; the mass media and crime; young people and crime; victimology.</p>

Learning Outcomes	
Outcome Number	Description
01	Discuss criminological theory using the correct terminology
02	Outline the main criminological perspectives on crime
03	Outline the historical development of criminological theory
04	Relate criminology to wider sociological issues in the UK

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy
<p>Face-to-face lectures and seminar discussions. The lectures provide both factual and theoretical information with the opportunity for whole-class exercises and discussion, which seminars will follow up with more interactive and in-depth discussion of particular theoretical issues already explored through directed reading.</p> <p>The 2-hour closed book summative examination allows students to choose from a range of topic areas from the module and explore in depth two major issues. The questions will allow for evidence of the guided research skills and analytical techniques necessary for sustained undergraduate theoretical discussion.</p>

Mode of Assessment			
Type	Method	Description	Weighting
Summative	Examination - Closed Book	120 minutes closed book examination	100%
Formative	Presentation	Informal formative group presentation during lectures	N/A

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>

*Please note:*

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