

Academic Year: 2020/1

Module Level: Year 3

Scheme: UG

Department: Criminology

Credits: 15

Student Workload (hours)	20
Lectures	20
Seminars	
Practical Classes & Workshops	9
Tutorials	0.5
Fieldwork	0
Project Supervision	0
Guided Independent Study	120.5
Demonstration	0
Supervised time in studio/workshop	0
Work Based Learning	0
Placement	0
Year Abroad	0
Total Module Hours	150

Period: Semester 2

Occurrence: E

Coordinator: Lisa Smith

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No.	Assessment Description	Weight %	Qual Mark	Exam Hours	Ass't Group	Alt Reasst
001	Written Course work (2000 words) (Final)	90				
002	Flexible Assessment	10				

Intended Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of the module, students should be able to:

1. Explain the ways that forensic science has changed the investigation and prosecution of crime
2. Analyse and critique the theoretical principles underlying forensic science practices and how these theories have developed historically
3. Critically examine the most recent advances in forensic evidence technology, ethical issues associated with these and the impact these developments have had on the interpretation of forensic evidence
4. Critically examine how forensic evidence is presented in the courtroom, and the impact this has on jury decision making and the potential for miscarriages of justice
5. Demonstrate clarity and the ability to formulate balanced arguments in written communication

The module combines lectures and workshops with peer-led workshops and activities based around the development of the coursework assessment. Practical workshops are also used to give students hands-on understanding of how various forensic techniques are used and interpreted by investigators. Tutorials are provided to offer feedback on assessed work. The flexible assessment is designed to test students' knowledge and provide them with an opportunity to receive formative feedback to inform their final assessment. This may include a plan, blog, podcast or oral presentation.

Assessment Methods

- a). Written Course work (2000 words) (Final)
- b). Flexible Assessment

Pre-Requisites
Co-Requisites
Excluded Combinations
Guided Independent Study: Indicative Activities

Recommended and essential readings, further readings using library resources and database searches, preparation for workshop activities (individual and group work)