WJEC Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology

Curriculum and Assessment Overview

Qualification structure:

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Unit Number	Unit Title		Assessment	GLH
1	Changing Awareness of Crime	Mandatory	Internal	90
2	Criminological Theories	Mandatory	External	90
3	Crime Scene to Courtroom	Mandatory	Internal	90
4	Crime and Punishment	Mandatory	External	90

Learners must complete **ALL** units.

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Curriculum Delivery Plan

Year 12

Term 1: Unit 1 Changing awareness of crime	Content
LO1 Understand how crime reporting affects the public perception of criminality	AC1.1 Analyse different types of crime AC1.2 Explain the reasons that certain crimes are unreported AC1.3 Explain the consequences of unreported crime AC1.4 Describe media representation of crime AC1.5 Explain the impact of media representations on the public perception of crime AC1.6 Evaluate methods of collecting statistics about crime
LO2 Understand how campaigns are used to elicit change LO3 Plan campaigns for change relating to crime	AC2.1 Compare campaigns for change AC2.2 Evaluate the effectiveness of media used in campaigns for change AC3.1 Plan a campaign for change relating to crime AC3.2 Design materials for use in campaigning for change AC3.3 Justify a campaign for change **Mock assessment and first part of UNIT 1 assessment (3 hours)**
Term 2: Unit 2 Criminological theories	Content
LO1 Understand social constructions of criminality LO2 Know theories of criminality	**Sit remainder of 8 hour controlled assessment for UNIT 1 (5 hours)** AC1.1 Compare criminal behaviour and deviance AC1.2 Explain the social construction of criminality AC2.1 Describe biological theories of criminality AC3.2 Evaluate the effectiveness of criminological theories to explain causes of criminality
LO2 Know theories of criminality LO3 Understand causes of criminality LO4 Understand causes of policy change	AC2.2 Describe individualistic theories of criminality AC2.3 Describe sociological theories of criminality AC3.1 Analyse situations of criminality AC3.2 Evaluate the effectiveness of criminological theories to explain causes of criminality AC4.1 Assess the use of criminological theories in informing policy development
Term 3: Unit 2 Criminological theories	Content
LO4 Understand causes of policy change **Mock unit 2 paper**	AC4.1 Assess the use of criminological theories in informing policy development AC4.2 Explain how social changes affect policy development AC4.3 Discuss how campaigns affect policy making **Sit Unit 2 External exam**
Unit 3 Crime scene to courtroom	**Preparation for Unit 3** AC1.1 Evaluate the effectiveness of the roles of personnel involved in criminal investigations

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Term 1 Unit 3 Crime scene to courtroom	Content
LO1 Understand the process of criminal investigations LO2 Understand the process for prosecution of suspect	AC1.2 Assess the usefulness of investigative techniques in criminal investigations AC1.3 Explain how evidence is processed AC1.4 Examine the rights of individuals in criminal investigations AC2.1 Explain the requirements of the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) for prosecuting suspects AC2.2 Describe trial processes AC2.3 Understand rules in relation to the use of evidence in criminal cases AC2.4 Assess key influences affecting the outcomes of criminal cases
LO2 Understand the process for prosecution of suspect LO3 Be able to review criminal cases	AC2.5 Discuss the use of laypeople in criminal cases AC3.1 Examine information for validity AC3.2 Draw conclusions from information **Sit 8 hour controlled assessment for UNIT 3**
Term 2 **Unit 4 Crime and Punishment**	**Content**
Unit 4 LO1 Understand the criminal justice system in England and Wales	AC1.1 Describe processes used for law making AC1.2 Describe the organisation of the criminal justice system in England and Wales AC1.3 Describe models of criminal justice
LO1 Understand the criminal justice system in England and Wales LO2 Understand the role of punishment in a criminal justice system LO3 Understand measures used in social control	AC2.1 Explain forms of social control AC2.2 Discuss the aims of punishment AC2.3 Assess how forms of punishment meet the aims of punishment AC3.1 Explain the role of agencies in social control AC3.2 Describe the contribution of agencies to achieving social control
Term 3	**Content**
LO3 Understand measures used in social control **Mock unit 4 paper**	AC3.3 Examine the limitations of agencies in achieving social control AC3.4 Evaluate the effectiveness of agencies in achieving social control **REVISION for Unit 4 EXAM**