

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

Module Title

Justice Social Work

Reference	SS4079	Version	1
Created	May 2021	SCQF Level	SCQF 10
Approved	May 2021	SCQF Points	15
Amended	November 2020	ECTS Points	7.5

Aims of Module

To provide the student with an applied knowledge and understanding of social work as a key stakeholder within the Scottish Criminal Justice System.

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Critically appraise policy, legislative and procedural frameworks underpinning social work practice with offenders.
- 2 Critically apply knowledge of criminology and desistance theory to a range of offender groups.
- 3 Critique assessment and intervention strategies designed to facilitate change for individuals who offend within the context of evidence-based practice.

Indicative Module Content

Legislation, policy and practice guidelines for work with offenders, sentencing philosophy, criminology and desistance theory, risk assessment and management, case management and offender supervision, inequalities in the justice system, CBT, Motivational Interviewing, Pro-social modelling, principles of effective practice, Risk/Need/Responsivity, Strengths-based approaches, Sex Offenders, Women Offenders, Domestic Abuse. The module is delivered and underpinned by a commitment to core social work values of respect, individualisation, empowerment, anti-discriminatory and anti-oppressive principles and upholds the values and ethical practice standards that reflect the requirements relating to engagement with public protection.

Module Delivery

This module is based on directed and private study supplemented by lectures and online resources. Introductory materials are linked to course material. Directed and private study is supported by tutorials.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	N/A	12
Non-Contact Hours	N/A	138
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A	150
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

ASSESSMENT PLAN

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

Component 1

Type:	Coursework	Weighting:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3
Description:	Essay				

MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR**Explanatory Text**

This module has one component with a 100% weighting. All learning outcomes are assessed by an essay.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
A	A
B	B
C	C
D	D
E	E
F	F
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	Satisfactory completion of all Stage 3 modules or equivalent.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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