

MODULE SPECIFICATION PROFORMA

<b>Module Title:</b>	Police Law	<b>Level:</b>	4	<b>Credit Value:</b>	20
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<b>Module code:</b>	SOC471	<b>Is this a new module?</b>	Yes	<b>Code of module being replaced:</b>	
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<b>Cost Centre:</b>	GACJ	<b>JACS3 code:</b>	M211
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<b>Trimester(s) in which to be offered:</b>	1	<b>With effect from:</b>	September 2017
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<b>School:</b>	Social and Life Sciences	<b>Module Leader:</b>	Julie Adams-Guppy
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Scheduled learning and teaching hours	84hrs
Guided independent study	116hrs
Placement	0hrs
<b>Module duration (total hours)</b>	200hrs

<b>Programme(s) in which to be offered</b>	Core	Option
BA (Hons) Policing	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
BA (Hons) Police and Criminal Justice Studies	✓	

<b>Pre-requisites</b>
N/A

Office use only

Initial approval December 16

APSC approval of modification *Enter date of approval*

Have any derogations received SQC approval?

Version 1

Yes  No ✓

**Module Aims**

The module is intended to develop students' understanding of police powers in relation to arresting and detaining individuals and investigating and responding to public disorder

**Intended Learning Outcomes**

Key skills for employability

- KS1 Written, oral and media communication skills
- KS2 Leadership, team working and networking skills
- KS3 Opportunity, creativity and problem solving skills
- KS4 Information technology skills and digital literacy
- KS5 Information management skills
- KS6 Research skills
- KS7 Intercultural and sustainability skills
- KS8 Career management skills
- KS9 Learning to learn (managing personal and professional development, self-management)
- KS10 Numeracy

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Key Skills

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1	Demonstrate an understanding of the principles and controversies surrounding stop and search legislation	KS1	KS8
		KS7	
2	Show an understanding of the powers police have to address anti-social behaviour and their responsibility to support legitimate protest	KS1	
		KS7	
3	Describe the legislative framework for dealing with vulnerable people and offending behaviour	KS3	
		KS7	
4	Appreciate the legalities associated with arresting and detaining suspects	KS1	KS7
		KS3	
5	Identify the relevant legislation to respond appropriately to property crime, offences against the person, harassment and public order related offences	KS1	
		KS6	
6	Appropriately apply police law in simulated encounters	KS1	KS3
		KS2	KS7

Transferable/key skills and other attributes

Problem solving and reasoning  
 Management and leadership  
 Motivating people  
 Making Decisions

**Derogations**

None

**Assessment:**

The module will be assessed by an exam which will require students to clarify points of law and consider case studies and how the law applies.

A role play will engage students in applying the law when arresting and then presenting an individual to the custody manager.

Assessment number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting (%)	Duration (if exam)	Word count (or equivalent if appropriate)
1	1-5	Exam - multiple choice	80%	90 minutes	2,000
2	6	Role Play	20%	10 minutes	

**Learning and Teaching Strategies:**

The module will use a variety of teaching and learning strategies, including lectures, seminars and discussion, skills development role play and the use of Moodle.

**Syllabus outline:**

- Basic Crime and Public Order legislation: Anti-social behaviour, public order (alcohol related public offences) Basic Assault 39/47/89 (Racially aggravated), hate crime
- Incident response processes- trespass, sudden death, illness
- Stop and Search- Possession of OW/Possession of drugs
- Vehicle and Minor RTC awareness and associated collision scene management
- Lost and found property
- Neighbourhood Policing
- PACE
- Police powers-entry
- Police searches (POLSA)
- Arrest, detention, bail
- Police communications
- Place of safety procedures
- RIPA
- Welfare (positional asphyxia)
- Actions at scene of fire
- Victim support and charter
- Human rights act as it applies to policing
- Cautions, significant statements and unsolicited comments
- Victim personal statements
- SOA, Mappa Cat v1, level 1 management

- Sec 46 Children Act

**Bibliography:**

**Essential reading**

- Bryant,R, Garcia, S, Lawton-Barrett,K., Gilbert,P and Bryant, S (eds) (2017) Blackstone's Handbook for Policing Students 2016. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Connor, P., Johnston,D., Hutton,G.,McKinnon, G and Watson,J (2017) Blackstone's Police Manuals 1-4: (1) Crime, (2) Evidence and procedure (3) Road Policing (4) General Police Duties. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Harfield, C. (2016) Blackstone's Police Operational Handbook: Practice And Procedure. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

**Other indicative reading**

- Bowling, B, Weber, L. (2011) 'Stop and Search in Global Context: an overview' Policing and Society, 21(4), pp.480-488.
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