

## Module specification

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*Refer to guidance notes for completion of each section of the specification.*

Module Code	POL411
Module Title	Police Law
Level	4
Credit value	20
Faculty	Social and Life Sciences
HECoS Code	100484
Cost Code	GACJ

## Programmes in which module to be offered

Programme title	Is the module core or option for this programme
BSc (Hons) Professional Policing	Core

## Pre-requisites

None

## Breakdown of module hours

Learning and teaching hours	36 hrs
Placement tutor support	0 hrs
Supervised learning e.g. practical classes, workshops	0 hrs
Project supervision (level 6 projects and dissertation modules only)	0 hrs
<b>Total active learning and teaching hours</b>	<b>36 hrs</b>
Placement / work based learning	0 hrs
Guided independent study	164 hrs
<b>Module duration (total hours)</b>	<b>200 hrs</b>

<b>For office use only</b>	
Initial approval date	15 <sup>th</sup> August 2024
With effect from date	September 2024
Date and details of revision	
Version number	1

## Module aims:

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This module aims to develop an understanding of legislation that is central to the role of a police officer in England and Wales.

## Module Learning Outcomes - at the end of this module, students will be able to:

1	<p>Identify legislation relating to police powers.</p> <p>NPC mapping:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>The Police Constable Role and Professional Standards</u> Understand Police powers and how to apply them: 8.1, 8.2, 8.3</li> </ul>
2	<p>Define legislation and police powers relating to acquisitive and violent crime.</p> <p>NPC mapping:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>The Police Constable Role and Professional Standards</u> Understand Police powers and how to apply them: 8.1, 8.2, 8.3</li> </ul>
3	<p>Recall legislation and police powers relating to general police duties.</p> <p>NPC mapping:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>The Police Constable Role and Professional Standards</u> Understand Police powers and how to apply them: 8.1, 8.2, 8.3</li> </ul>

## Assessment

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Indicative Assessment Tasks:

Students will be required to take a multi choice examination of key areas of criminal law and police powers. Exam duration: 2 hours

Assessment number	Learning Outcomes to be met	Type of assessment	Weighting (%)
1	1, 2 and 3	Examination	100%



## Derogations

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Module cannot be compensated/condoned on BSc (Hons) Professional Policing.

## Learning and Teaching Strategies

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The learning and teaching strategy are grounded in the University's commitment to an Active Learning Framework (ALF) so that learning will be both accessible and active and include synchronous and a-synchronous elements. Face to face classroom teaching will be supplemented by online lectures wherein students will be expected to complete activities such as watching Panopto videos; undertake Other Indicative Reading; complete quizzes and exercises; and post comment for a-synchronous debate. These activities will be the subject of formative feedback by the module tutor. Added to this, will be access to staff who provide presence, challenge and support for student learning and can relate learning to real world uses.

## Indicative Syllabus Outline

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*Guidance, please provide indicative list*

### **LO1: Identify legislation relating to police powers.**

- Powers applicable to different policing roles e.g., PCSO, Specials, police staff and how these are regulated.
- Legal and statutory requirements associated with police powers and maintaining the balance between the effect of applying powers and benefits being sought.
- Examples of police powers and how they may be used.

### **LO2: Define legislation and police powers relating to acquisitive and violent crime.**

- Law and powers related to acquisitive and violent crime.

### **LO3: Recall legislation and police powers relating to general police duties.**

- Safeguard potential victims and move them to a place of safety
- Entry, search and seizure (including legal privilege)

## Indicative Bibliography:

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Please note the essential reads and other indicative reading are subject to annual review and update.

### **Essential Reads**

Wood, D. (ed.) (2024) Blackstone's Handbook for Policing Students. Oxford: Oxford University Press

### **Other indicative reading**

Connor, P. (2023) Blackstone's Police Manual 2024. Volume 1, Crime. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Police National Legal database, Hartley, M., and Ozin, P. (2024) Blackstone's Police Operational Handbook. Oxford: Oxford University Press.