

Module title: Substance Misuse and Crime

Module code:	SMC	NQF level:	Level 5
Credit value:	15 credits	Study duration:	9 weeks

Module description

This module is aimed at developing your understanding of the current issues surrounding youth crime and youth justice.

Aims

- Identify key pieces of legislation
- Outline sentencing and treatment for substance misusing offenders
- Explore the Investigation of drug crime
- Examine the criminological theory relating to substance misuse and crime

Learning outcomes

On completion of this module students will be able to:

- Recognise the types of crime affected by substance misuse
- Understand and critically evaluate the role of those agencies primarily responsible for the implementation of Government Policy relating to substance misuse
- Identify and critically evaluate the effectiveness of key facets of the

Syllabus

- Considering the Problem
- Criminological Theory
- Sentencing Drug Offenders
- The Drug Rehabilitation Requirement (DRR) and Compulsory Treatment
- Drug Trafficking and Laundering
- Policing and Investigating Drug Crime
- Gender and Drug Misuse

Learning and teaching methods

Teaching will be delivered through the provision of specified reading materials that will be provided on the UoEO Learning Platform, and will be supported by specified discussion forums, pre-recorded lecturecasts and biweekly online question and answer sessions (using synchronous communication software and application sharing facility). Students will be provided with indicative guidance on, and encouraged to look at relevant websites which are appropriate to the learning outcomes, and to identify and share appropriate web-based resources (as learning support references) with their fellow students. The pre-recorded lecturecasts and the online question and answer sessions will include referenced use of selected case studies which will be drawn from the reading materials and the practice-based and professional/educational contexts and experience of the Tutors. Self-managed learning will supplement lectures and students will be given direction on required and indicative reading.

Assessment

Description of unit of assessment	Length / Duration	Submission Date	Weighting
2 x Assessed discussion activities	2 weeks	Unit 3 & Unit 7	20%
Mid Module Assignment	1500-2000 words	Unit 5	30%
End of Module Assignment	1500-2000 words	End of module	30%
Reflective report	1500-2000 words	End of module	20%