

# 15SC153

## Crime, Deviance and Social Theory

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**Nic has a blog for his students covering crime, sport and media (and sometimes combinations thereof) at <http://genicus.wordpress.com/>. Examples will be used from it and you might want to check in a couple of times a week (and even comment/debate). He also tweets as @criminology4u on Twitter.**



This module guide is available on [St Mary's Online](#) where you will find lecture notes and other resources such as journal articles and websites.

The purpose of this module is to introduce students to sociological criminology. Specifically it aims to augment sociological thinking and knowledge in students gained in other sociology modules by reference to the topics of crime and deviance and some policies and practices to deal with them.

This module focuses on crime and theory and next level's module on social structure (gender, race, ethnicity, class, age, sexuality, ability etc) and crime and crime control. There is obviously an overlap but in this module sociological theory will be applied to crime and crime control and in the following module theory will be applied to crime and .... (various elements of social structure) as well as greater details of the institutions of crime control and their place in and support for social structures.

### **Assessment:**

Essay of 1,500 words (40%) to be submitted by 1pm on 4 March 2011.  
Seen Exam (60%) 3-13 May 2011.

The essay title is:

Set out the principal objections of feminism to much criminological thinking. Has this lead to a 'feminist criminology'?

### **Bibliography and Set Book**

The set book is [Carrabine B, Iganski P, Lee M, Plummer K and South. N \*Criminology: A sociological introduction\* Routledge \(2009\).](#) ***It will be used in all weeks and again next year so should be purchased. Other useful books in library are:***

Coleman Clive and Norris Clive (2001) [Introducing Criminology](#) Willan  
Downes, D. and Rock, P. 1994 [Understanding Deviance](#). Oxford University Press  
Farrell, J. and Saunders, C.R. 1995 [Cultural Criminology](#). Northeastern University Press  
Hopkins Burke Roger (2001) [Criminological Theory](#) Willan Publishing  
Hogg Russell and Carrington Kerry (eds) [Critical Criminology: issues, debates, challenges](#) (2001) Willan  
Jewkes Yvonne and Letherby Gayle (eds) [Criminology: A Reader](#) (2002) Sage  
Lilly, Cullen and Ball. 1995. [Criminological Theory](#). Sage  
Maguire, M., Morgan, R., Reiner, R. (eds). [The Oxford Handbook of Criminology](#)  
Muncie, J., Laughlin, E. and Langan, M. (eds) 1996. [Criminological Perspectives: a reader](#). Sage  
McLoughlin, E and Muncie, J (eds) (2001) [Sage Dictionary of Criminology](#) Sage.  
Taylor, I., Walton, P. and Young, J. 1973. [The New Criminology](#). Routledge  
Stenson Kevin and Sullivan Robert R. (eds) (2000) [Crime, Risk and Justice: the politics of crime control in liberal democracies](#) Willan

White and Haines (2001) [\*Crime and Criminology\*](#) OUP

The college takes the [\*British Journal of Criminology\*](#) and other sources can be found on [Ebsco](#).

### **The Module in brief**

Week/Date	In Seminar (so read week before)	Lecture
Wk 1 21 Jan	Admin	Intro
Wk 2 28 Jan		What is crim
Wk 3 4 Feb	Method (ch 3 and rape/lapdancing)	Pre-criminology
Wk 4 11 Feb	History (ch 2/4)	Early sociology
Wk 5 18 Feb	Early (ch5)	Radical approaches
Wk 6 25 Feb	Radical (ch 6)	Late modern
Wk 7 4 Mar	Late (ch 7) <b>(Hand in Essay)</b>	Philosophy and sociology punishment
Wk 8 11 Mar	Punishment (ch 15)	Sociology police/prison
Wk 9 18 Mar	Police/prison (chs 17/18)	Green crim
Wk 10 25 Mar	Green (ch9)	Crime and media
Wk 11 1 Apr	Media (ch20)	Future
Wk 12 8 Apr	Future (ch 22)	Revision Lecture
Wk 13 15 Apr	Tutorials	Tutorials
EASTER	18 April - 2 May	
Exams	3-13 May	