

MODULE DESCRIPTION FORM

Module Information			
Module Title	crime science		Module Delivery
Module Type	Basic		☒ Theory ☒ Lecture ☒ Lab ☐ Tutorial ☐ Practical ☐ Seminar
Module Code	FOR23008		
ECTS Credits	2		
SWL (hr/sem)	50		
Module Level	2	Semester of Delivery	
Administering Department	Forensic Evidence	College	Science
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Relation with other Modules			
العلاقة مع المواد الدراسية الأخرى			
Prerequisite module	none	Semester	2/1
Co-requisites module	None	Semester	



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Module Aims, Learning Outcomes and Indicative Contents

أهداف المادة الدراسية ونتائج التعلم والمحتويات الإرشادية

<p>Module Aims</p> <p>أهداف المادة الدراسية</p>	<p>Upon completion of this module, the student can:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1-explain the key theories and approaches of Crime Science. differentiate the (classical) sociological-criminological approach from modern Crime Science. 2-apply the Crime Science mind-set to real-life crime and security problems. 3-critically reflect upon crime prevention and security policymaking. 4-Formulate a response strategy to security and crime problems. 5-analyse long-standing as well as pressing future issues in crime prevention and detection. 6-Upon completion of this module, the student can: 7-explain the key theories and approaches of Crime Science. 8-differentiate the (classical) sociological-criminological approach from modern Crime Science. 9-apply the Crime Science mind-set to real-life crime and security problems. 10-critically reflect upon crime prevention and security policymaking. 11-formulate a response strategy to security and crime problems. 12-analyse long-standing as well as pressing future issues in crime prevention and detection.
<p>Module Learning Outcomes</p> <p>مخرجات التعلم للمادة الدراسية</p>	<p>On successfully completing the module you will be able to...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Describe in some detail and discuss the cellular and molecular basis of inheritance 2. Explain the differences between acquired, monogenic, polygenic and epigenetic disease 3. Explain the different mechanisms by which genes are regulated in humans 4. Discuss the contribution of genetics and environment to disease processes in humans 5. Show awareness of, and discuss the ethical issues in modern genetics 6. Discuss with examples the importance of interaction between patients, scientists and clinician
<p>Indicative Contents</p> <p>المحتويات الإرشادية</p>	<p>Lectures: [6 h] Introduction to Forensic Science, Crime Scene to Court Process. Scenes of Crime: The role of crime scene investigators in the preservation, recovery and recording of evidence at the scene of crime and evaluation of crime scene evidence.</p>

	<p>Overview of Forensic Science in the UK: Police Forces Scientific Support in relation to other Forensic Agencies. Overview of physical evidence including DNA, Toxicology, footwear and tool marks, finger-marks. Introduction to forensic evidence associated with arson, explosions and firearms. Courts and their structure. Giving expert testimony; evidence-in-chief and cross-examination. Admissibility of forensic evidence in Court: differences between UK and USA. Writing of laboratory reports and expert witness statements. Health and safety issues at scenes and in forensic examination. Thus: the main inductive contents include: [4h for each part]</p> <p>1-The importance of a crime scene and of material evidence in criminal proceedings</p> <p>2-The role of the court-appointed expert in criminal proceedings</p> <p>3- Forms of evidence, kinds of traces and methods of analysis</p> <p>4-Searching for and securing evidence and Case study</p> <p>5-Searching for and recovering evidence that is accepted in court</p> <p>6- Independent analysis and documentation of this evidence</p> <p>7- Defence and discussion of the results.</p> <p>8-Computer systems and IT/computing science Internet, WWW, HTML Calculations based on spreadsheet programs Basics of programming .</p> <p>9-The students provide evidence of active participation in the tutorial relating to the lecture by solving exercises in class and/or by taking a written test at the end of the semester.</p>
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Learning and Teaching Strategies

استراتيجيات التعلم والتعليم

Strategies	<p>Students will attend formal timetabled lectures throughout the module. There will be class discussions and the opportunity to share information, and develop good communication skills. Students will visit a series of simulated crime scenes, where they will gain practical experience of crime scene examination. This will include the search, identification and recording of evidence located at these scenes. Students will complete reports on crime scene examination including, risk assessment, results and evaluation.</p>
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Student Workload (SWL)

الحمل الدراسي للطالب

Structured SWL (h/sem) الحمل الدرا يس المنتظم للطالب خلال الفصل	42	Structured SWL (h/w) الحمل الدرا يس المنتظم للطالب أسبوعيا	3
Unstructured SWL (h/sem) الحمل الدرا يس غري المنتظم للطالب خلال الفصل	33	Unstructured SWL (h/w) الحمل الدرا يس غري المنتظم للطالب أسبوعيا	2.2
Total SWL (h/sem) الحمل الدرا يس الك يل للطالب خلال الفصل	75		

Module Evaluation					
تقييم المادة الدراسية					
		Time/Number	Weight (Marks)	Week Due	Relevant Learning Outcome
Formative assessment	Quizzes	2	10% (10)	5, 10	LO #1, 2, 10 and 11
	Assignments	2	10% (10)	2, 12	LO # 3, 4, 6 and 7
	Projects / Lab.	1	10% (10)	Continuous	
	Report	1	10% (10)	13	LO # 5, 8 and 10
Summative assessment	Midterm Exam	2 hr	10% (10)	7	LO # 1-7
	Final Exam	2hr	50% (50)	16	All
Total assessment			100% (100 Marks)		

Delivery Plan (Weekly Syllabus)	
المنهاج الاسبوعي النظري	
	Material Covered
Week 1	Introduction - crime science
Week 2	collect and package evidence, prepare laboratory submission forms and identify errors in them,
Week 3	recover contact trace material in practical forensic examination, and write a simple expert report
Week 4-5	The role of crime scene investigators in the preservation, recovery and recording of evidence at the scene of crime and evaluation of crime scene evidence.
Week 6	the scope, methods and limitations of crime scene examination and forensic enquiry in the crime to court process.
Week 7	main evidence types in volume, major and serious crimes
Week 8	Evidence found at crime scenes.
Week 9	Investigation of crime scenes. ☐☐ ☐
Week 10	Search techniques.
Week 11	Recovering evidence and other information. ☐
Week 12	Team working at crime scenes.
Week 12-13	Reporting crime
Week 14	scene investigations.
Week 15	Exam
Week 16	Preparatory week before the final Exam

Learning and Teaching Resources

مصادر التعلم والتدريس

	Text	Available in the Library?
Required Texts	Cook, T. Hill, M. and Hibbitt, S. (2016) Blackstone's Crime Investigator's Handbook. Oxford: Oxford University Press.	Yes
Recommended Texts	Beaufort- Moore, D. (2015) Crime Scene Management and Evidence Recovery, 2nd Edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press	No
Websites	Self html (the English version is still (early 2005) in its infancy at: http://www.selfhtml.org/	

Grading Scheme

مخطط الدرجات

Group	Grade	التقدير	Marks (%)	Definition
Success Group (50 - 100)	A - Excellent	امتياز	90 - 100	Outstanding Performance
	B - Very Good	جيد جدا	80 - 89	Above average with some errors
	C - Good	جيد	70 - 79	Sound work with notable errors
	D - Satisfactory	متوسط	60 - 69	Fair but with major shortcomings
	E - Sufficient	مقبول	50 - 59	Work meets minimum criteria
Fail Group (0 – 49)	FX – Fail	راسب (قيد المعالجة)	(45-49)	More work required but credit awarded
	F – Fail	راسب	(0-44)	Considerable amount of work required

Note: Marks Decimal places above or below 0.5 will be rounded to the higher or lower full mark (for example a mark of 54.5 will be rounded to 55, whereas a mark of 54.4 will be rounded to 54. The University has a policy NOT to condone "near-pass fails" so the only adjustment to marks awarded by the original marker(s) will be the automatic rounding outlined above.