

Module Catalogue

Social Sciences

Undergraduate Exchange 2020/1

Semester 1

Module Code	Module Name	Level	Semester	UK Credit Value	Credit Equivalency
Criminology					
4CRIM002W	Justice and Human Rights	4	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
4CRIM006W	Researching Crime and Justice I	4	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5CRIM002W	Globalisation, Crime and Control	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5CRIM003W	Race, Crime and Justice	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5CRIM004W	Gender, Crime and Justice	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5CRIM006W	Forensic Criminal Psychology	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6CRIM007W	Issues in State Crime	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
Politics and International Relations					
4PIRS003W	Dilemmas of International Development	4	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*

4PIRS006W	Political Ideas in Action	4	Year	40	US Credits 8 / ECTS credits 20*
5PIRS001W	Asia, Africa and Latin America: Dynamism and Change in the Global South	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5PIRS005W	Geopolitics	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5PIRS006W	Global Political Economy	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5PIRS017W	Theorising Politics and International Relations	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PIRS002W	American Power in a Multi-Polar World	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PIRS003W	Contested Sovereignty: Jurisdiction and Power in Contemporary International Relations	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PIRS009W	Gender and Politics	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PIRS013W	Postcolonial Politics and International Relations	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PIRS016W	Security and the Surveillance State	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PIRS017W	Social and Political Movements in a Globalising World	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PIRS019W	Oil, Globalisation and Development in the Middle East and Central Asia	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*

Psychology					
4PSYC001W	Social Psychology	4	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
4PSYC002W	Cognitive Psychology	4	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
4PSYC006W	Individual Differences	4	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5PSYC001W	Data Analysis for Psychology	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5PSYC002W	Brain, Mind and Behaviour	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5PSYC008W	Systems Neuroscience	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PSYC003W	Occupational and Work Psychology	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PSYC008W	Clinical Psychology	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PSYC011W	Music and the Mind	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6PSYC013W	Psychology of Education	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
Sociology					
4SOCL001W	Thinking Sociologically	4	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*

4SOCL006W	Introducing Media and Cultural Studies	4	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5SOCL001W	Modern Social Theory	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5SOCL005W	Sexualities	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5SOCL006W	Emotional Life	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
5SOCL011W	Food, Taste and Consumption	5	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6SOCL002W	Contemporary Social Theory	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6SOCL006W	Perils and Pleasures: A London Sociology of Leisure	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6SOCL007W	Making the News	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*
6SOCL011W	Gender, Education and Identity	6	Semester 1	20	US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*

* All transcripts are issued in UK credits. Please note the recommendation of a 4 US credit value equivalency is provided as guidance. Final credit values for all modules for US students are decided by your home institution and will be dependent on its credit transfer policies.

Criminology

Justice and Human Rights

Module Code: 4CRIM002W

Level 4

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Critical examination of major institutions of justice; roles played Parliament in producing criminal law to the roles played by the police, prosecution, probation and prison service in law enforcement and punishment; roles of courts in adjudicating, sentencing and rectifying miscarriages of justice. Particular attention paid to the consequences of British membership of the Council of Europe and the European Convention on Human Rights.

Assessment: Coursework (50%), Examination - closed book (50%)

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Researching Crime and Justice I

Module Code: 4CRIM006W

Level 4

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

This module is an introduction to criminological research methods, with an emphasis on practical 'hands on' criminological research. It provides core knowledge and skills in primary research methods. In groups, students will design, conduct, analyse a survey and an ethnographic observation. The knowledge and skills will build research knowledge through hands-on experience of doing primary research and will be an invaluable foundation for the level 5 methods module and the level 6 dissertation.

Assessment: Presentation Group (50%), Group Coursework (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Globalisation, Crime and Control

Module Code: 5CRIM002W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

International trends in crime and justice, and relationship to globalisation and its implications for the discipline of criminology; case studies of national and transnational crime and justice, including urban crime and policing in the favelas of Rio de Janeiro, the 'cocaine trail' from Latin to North America, to the perils faced by African migrants being smuggled across borders into 'fortress Europe'

Assessment: Coursework (50%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Race, Crime and Justice

Module Code: 5CRIM003W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Critical examination of racial differences in criminal justice practice; possible explanations from perspectives of criminological theory; socio-legal accounts of criminal justice process, social policy and critical race theory. External guest speakers help to inform students about current developments.

Assessment: Coursework (50%), Coursework (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Gender, Crime and Justice

Module Code: 5CRIM004W

Location: Regent

Level 5

UK Credit Value: 20

Semester 1

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /

ECTS credits 10*

designed to encourage students to critically reflect on the contribution of feminist theories to criminology; to understand the significance of gender in understanding crime, victimisation and criminal justice; and to analyse the role of the law, criminal justice and discourses about crime in the reproduction of gender relationships; considers current social policy in this area and consider issues of gender in an international context.

Assessment: Essay (50%), Examination - closed book (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Forensic Criminal Psychology

Module Code: 5CRIM006W

Location: Regent

Level 5

UK Credit Value: 20

Semester 1

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /

ECTS credits 10*

concerned with psychological aspects of the criminal justice process; aligned with investigative and criminological psychology: applying psychological theory to criminal investigation and understanding psychological problems associated with criminal behaviour; exploration and critical engagement with range of topics in forensic criminal psychology and approaches to criminal/offender profiling.

Assessment: Coursework (60%), Presentation Group (40%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Issues in State Crime

Module Code: 6CRIM007W

Location: Regent

Level 6

UK Credit Value: 20

Semester 1

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /

ECTS credits 10*

State a 'protector' against or perpetrator of crime? Informed by critical criminological theoretical perspectives, module interrogates such issues and explores the extent to which state formations engage in or facilitate crime; nature of state crime and human rights violations via range of contemporary case studies: poses question whether harms committed by states are more serious and widespread consequences than 'everyday crime'.

Assessment: Coursework (25%), Essay (75%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Politics and International Relations

Dilemmas of International Development

Module Code: 4PIRS003W

Location: Regent

Level 4

UK Credit Value: 20

Semester 1

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /

ECTS credits 10*

This module provides an in-depth introduction to the multi-disciplinary field of development studies. It introduces students to key debates in development theory and to the history of development policy and practice. The course encourages students to think critically about what development is, about how it is carried out and what it can achieve. We will explore the 'grand' development theories and approaches such as modernisation, dependency, neo-liberalism and alternatives. The module gives students the opportunity to consider the role of these approaches in assisting or hindering progress in a globalised world, whether in terms of distribution of wealth, political change or

human rights; and further to assess the relevance of various development policies to the everyday lives of people living in the global south.

Assessment: Coursework (25%), Presentation Group (25%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Political Ideas in Action

Module Code: 4PIRS006W

Level 4

Year

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 40

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 8 / ECTS credits 20*

The module explores three linked components of political power: ideas, structures and agency. In liberal democracies, political ideas and ideology motivate and drive political 'actors' (including individuals, parties and movements) to compete over political power within the framework of constitutions, institutions and conventions that define the 'rules of the game'. The module examines the liberal democratic foundations of the UK political system and the competing ideologies that operate within it; ways in which political power is allocated, won and lost; and illustrates the power game through a study political leadership.

Assessment: Portfolio (30%), Essay (30%), Essay (40%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Asia, Africa and Latin America: Dynamism and Change in the Global South

Module Code: 5PIRS001W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*

This module re-examines the concepts, debates and issues of state and nationalism through case studies from the Global South. Rather than teaching the 'unique' culture, history of regions different from the West the purpose of the module is to critically reflect on how their experience of some of the most vexing political problems of our times forces us to re-think received knowledge from mainstream political theory and IR. Each lecture/seminar will be led by an expert on the regions under examination. At the end of this module students should be able to explain political debates, concepts, themes by drawing on case studies from the Global South. Thus, embellishing their theoretical knowledge with the strong empirical foundation in the complex, multi-faceted and dynamic context of the Global South.

Assessment: Portfolio (50%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Geopolitics

Module Code: 5PIRS005W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*

This module introduces and explores the concept of Geopolitics and examines its significance for understanding the contemporary international order. The relationship between geography and politics has been a central concern for scholars of International Relations, and this module explores the geopolitical dimensions of International Relations through historical, political and geographical perspectives. It surveys the geopolitics which underpins contemporary dominant power structures, including those at the heart of the (post-) liberal international order, and those which frame the 'war on terror'. It considers the conceptual assumptions behind geopolitics and explores critical geopolitics as a way of dismantling dominant representations of people, place and space.

Assessment: Portfolio (10%), Coursework (40%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Global Political Economy

Module Code: 5PIRS006W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

International Political Economy (IPE) is the study of political and economic interaction, involving a multiplicity of actors, across borders in world affairs. It looks at international political economy through a set of concepts and issues. The module offers a critical overview of major perspectives in political economy and employs them to evaluate certain policies and institutions, nationally and internationally.

Assessment: Presentation Group (25%), Coursework (25%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Theorising Politics and International Relations

Module Code: 5PIRS017W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Through the study of a selection of classical texts and exploration of contemporary approaches to the study of politics and international relations, this module offers students the chance to enrich their disciplinary knowledge and understanding. By exploring the points of contact and departure between political thought and theories of international relations students gain an understanding of the diversity of theory and its role as a key source of innovation.

Assessment: Portfolio (10%), Coursework (40%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

American Power in a Multi-Polar World

Module Code: 6PIRS002W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

This module seeks to explain the formulation and implementation of US foreign policy. The module examines and applies a range of relevant traditional as well as critical approaches, such as institutionalism, realism, strategic-relational approach and discourse analysis, to the analysis of US foreign policy and policy-making in order to throw light on the role of the United States in international affairs.

Assessment: Presentation Group (25%), Project (75%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Contested Sovereignty: Jurisdiction and Power in Contemporary International Relations

Module Code: 6PIRS003W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Sovereignty is a core principle that structures international relations, both as a discipline and as a field of study. Sovereignty however, remains contested in how it is enacted in a postcolonial and globalized world. Significant transnational issues shape sovereignty, such as neocolonial relations, global finance, and counterinsurgencies. Sovereignty is distributed unevenly and hierarchically, and many sub-state nations struggle for representation, justice and recognition. Through an exploration of a range of case studies this module provides students with a critical understanding of sovereignty. We will explore communities that straddle various territories, such as the Kurds, we will explore how border communities shape state security politics, such as the Uyghurs and struggles

over land and recognition in settler-colonial spaces, such as Palestine and Canada. This module provides students with a global and decolonial understanding of sovereignty, as a principle that has always been contested and enacted unevenly in international relations.

Assessment: Essay (40%), Presentation (60%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Gender and Politics

Module Code: 6PIRS009W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

In this module students examine political, societal, cultural and economic beliefs and practices at both the domestic and international levels through the lenses of gender, sexuality, and intersectionality, and through feminist critique. The module brings into sharp focus the problems of discrimination, marginalisation and exclusion based on gender and sexuality. Knowledge of gender relations is used to deepen student understanding of wider political, cultural, economic and social processes, practices, and power relations at national and international levels.

Assessment: Portfolio (10%), Presentation (40%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Postcolonial Politics and International Relations

Module Code: 6PIRS013W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

The module will offer students an advanced engagement with postcolonial perspectives to the study of politics at local, national, regional, international and global levels. How have various thinkers from different parts of the world sought to question the eurocentrism of the dominant theories and concepts in Politics and in International Relations? What are the various ways in which we can understand the pluralist, asymmetrical and inconsistent experiences of different cultures, societies, and polities in contemporary post-colonial times? Does postcolonial theory offer different ways of looking at the core concepts of politics – say, nationalism and democracy - relevant for the majority world? What does postcolonial politics actually imply? Key concepts and issues of politics and IR will be examined from different critical perspectives while highlighting the structuring role of ideas and practices of imperialism, colonialism, orientalism and resistance.

Assessment: Presentation Group (25%), Coursework (25%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Security and the Surveillance State

Module Code: 6PIRS016W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Security and surveillance represent an increasingly important aspect of western governance, to the extent that western democracies are now sometimes characterised as 'surveillance states'. Through the lens of 'internal' security, this module addresses the changing relationship between state and society in contemporary politics. It applies new concepts of security, state and society to contemporary case studies of key themes. These will vary from year to year according to contemporary relevance and the availability of resources. Examples may include: counter-terrorism and approaches to radicalisation; cyber-security and governance; the policing of border control; social and individual perceptions of risk, etc. Drawing on varied literatures including internal security, civil society and behavioural psychology and sociology, the module offers an opportunity for students to reflect on the nature of legitimacy, control and freedoms under conditions of globalisation and electronic

communication.

Assessment: Group Practical (60%), Essay (40%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Social and Political Movements in a Globalising World

Module Code: 6PIRS017W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*

Social and political movements – the main, even only, way that many people ‘do’ politics – are established features of contemporary societies. They bring new ideas into public discourse and challenge the practices of governments and states. The module analyses a representative sample of contemporary movements, in the developed world and in other regions; studies the wide range of factors, national and transnational, shaping movement birth, development and decline; and evaluates the main theories used in social movement scholarship.

Assessment: Essay (40%), Essay (60%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Oil, Globalisation and Development in the Middle East and Central Asia

Module Code: 6PIRS019W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*

This module concentrates on the politics of development, mainly, in the Middle East and partially Central Asia, investigating the extent to which these regions have been structured by international and global political economy as opposed to domestic factors. The module examines major debates and issues in state formation, political regimes, economy and society, particularly considering the legacies of imperialism and the impacts of neoliberalism on the regional dynamics of development. It investigates the politics of key national resources such as oil and food and their implications for state, politics, economy and society. We look at the main political forms and forces, including the authoritarian ‘rentier’ state, pressures for democratisation and liberalisation, and the rise of political Islam. The final part of the module focuses on conflict, intervention, and popular struggle, reflecting on perspectives on future development in the region.

Assessment: Presentation Group (25%), Coursework (25%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Psychology

Social Psychology

Module Code: 4PSYC001W

Level 4

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 / ECTS credits 10*

This module provides a broad introduction to social psychology and the study of how individuals think, feel, and behave in a social context. Specific topics include an introduction to the nature of social existence (questioning the idea of reality and the meaning of death and dying) and social perception (including the self-concept; elements of social perception, and; stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination). Students will also learn about the impact of social influence (including conformity and obedience; attitudes and persuasion, and; group influence) and social

relationships (attraction and close relationships; helping behaviour, and; aggression). As part of this module, students will also develop their academic essay-writing skills and exam-answering skills, and will be taught methods of using summative feedback to improve written work.

Assessment: Essay (50%), Examination - closed book (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Cognitive Psychology

Module Code: 4PSYC002W

Level 4

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

The study of “thinking” and how people process the world around them and interact with it forms a core topic in psychology, namely cognition. This module provides students with a broad overview of the key themes in Cognitive Psychology, including memory, attention, sensation and perception (including object recognition, imagery), learning theory, language and problem solving. Teaching will include both formal lectures and hands on activities to provide insight into how research into cognition is carried out.

Assessment: Coursework (40%), Examination - closed book (60%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Individual Differences

Module Code: 4PSYC006W

Level 4

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Considers topics in the field of psychological individual differences, e.g. personality, psychological testing, intelligence, cognitive style, emotion, motivation, mood, mental health, gender and ethnicity. There is a focus on topics, models and issues currently seen as well supported by empirical evidence, important in the field, and for applied practice. Teaching and learning methods include lectures, practical workshops, seminars and independent study.

Assessment: Coursework (50%), Examination - closed book (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Data Analysis for Psychology

Module Code: 5PSYC001W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Pre-requisite: 4PSYC005W Introduction to Psychological Research Methods or equivalent

Students taking this module will develop their competence in collecting and coding qualitative data by acquiring interviewing skills and by developing their skill in coding transcript data. They will also develop skills in designing, analysing, and interpreting the results of experiments with more than two conditions, and survey designs involving multiple predictors.

Assessment: Portfolio (40%), Examination - closed book (60%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Brain, Mind and Behaviour

Module Code: 5PSYC002W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

***Pre-requisite: 4PSYC003W Biological Psychology and 4PSYC002W Cognitive Psychology or equivalent
Co-requisite: 5PSYC001W Data Analysis for Psychology or equivalent***

This module is only available to Exchange Students from the Mid Sweden University.

Building on introductory level 4 modules, students will gain deeper knowledge of key areas of Cognition and Biological Psychology by focussing on selected topics and exploring the reciprocal relationship between brain, mind and behaviour. Selecting examples of study areas such as memory and stress, students will examine cognitive theories and their link to physiology, supported by evidence from a range of approaches encompassing behavioural, neuropsychological, imaging and biological research.

Assessment: Coursework (50%), Examination - closed book (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Systems Neuroscience

Module Code: 5PSYC008W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Pre-requisite: 4PSYC003W Biological Psychology or equivalent

The first part of this module examines the general principles of neuronal communication at a more detailed level than when initially encountered in Biological Psychology. This knowledge is then related to the brain's ability to adapt, to learn and to commit to memory and also to the complex circuits involved in specific sensory functions, such as vision and audition. Plasticity is a theme that runs throughout the module and we also consider the role of genetics in neuroscience

Assessment: Presentation Group (50%), Examination - closed book (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Occupational and Work Psychology

Module Code: 6PSYC003W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Pre-requisite: 4PSYC001W Social Psychology and 4PSYC006W Individual Differences or equivalent

What do organizations want from their employees and what do employees want from the organizations in which they work? How do we ensure the right fit between organizations and their employees? This module looks at the individual in the workplace, the way people work in teams, how they are led and what motivates them. In doing so, the module explores the principles by which psychology is applied to theory and practice in the workplace. The module also focusses on employability, that is, what is employability and what skill sets do employers seek from graduates? Students on this module will be taught how to decipher job adverts, apply for jobs, write up CV's, how to answer interview questions and how to present oneself.

Assessment: Presentation Group (50%), Examination - closed book (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Clinical Psychology

Module Code: 6PSYC008W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Pre-req: 5PSYC002W Brain, Mind & Behaviour or 1PSY502 Psychobiology & Clinical Neuroscience or equiv

Focusing on the theory and practice of clinical psychology, a critical approach is taken towards the diagnosis and classification of mental illness, current aetiological theories and a range of clinical interventions used by clinical psychologist and other mental health professionals. Psychological disorders and conditions considered include: depression, suicidal behaviour, the psychoses, personality disorders, eating disorders, dissociative disorders and anxiety.

Assessment: Coursework (40%), Examination - closed book (60%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Music and the Mind

Module Code: 6PSYC011W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Pre-requisite: 4PSYC002W Cognitive Psychology OR musical training (at discretion of Module Leader)

With emphasis on cognitive theories, this module examines music in relation to the concept of mind. It includes an overview of auditory psychophysics and considers how cultural, social and neurological factors influence musical development. Links between music and perception, memory, emotion, language and creativity are also explored, providing students with a solid understanding of the cognitive mechanisms underlying musical production and appreciation. The module also considers the broad role that music plays in society and health.

Assessment: Presentation Group (50%), In-Class Test/Assignment exam conditions (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Psychology of Education

Module Code: 6PSYC013W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Cavendish

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Pre-requisite: 4PSYC004W Developmental Psychology and Research Methods experience or equivalent

This module aims to explore how psychological theory and research has been applied to teaching and learning in formal settings from pre-school to university. Key topics include: Theories of teaching and learning, assessment, schooling, literacy, inclusion, bullying, motivation, educational neuroscience and critical pedagogy. The module will address how the work of educational psychologists, speech and language therapists and teachers is informed by empirical research.

Assessment: Coursework (40%), Examination - closed book (60%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Sociology

Thinking Sociologically

Module Code: 4SOCL001W
Location: Regent

Level 4
UK Credit Value: 20

Semester 1
Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10*

This module is an introduction to how classical sociological theory has explained social structures and divisions in society. The work of Marx, Durkheim and Weber is introduced to explain the transition from traditional to modern society. Drawing on key features of contemporary society the module also questions and critiques the classical theorists' applicability to 21st century global society.

Assessment: Essay (50%), In-Class Test/Assignment exam conditions (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Introducing Media and Cultural Studies

Module Code: 4SOCL006W
Location: Regent

Level 4
UK Credit Value: 20

Semester 1
Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10*

This module provides an introduction to the study of media and culture, and demonstrates how important they are to an understanding of contemporary society. The module introduces key concepts and applies these to the analysis of a variety of cultural texts, from films and TV to magazines and social media. We apply the insights that can be derived from a range of different critical approaches, and place an emphasis on developing the practice of critical interpretation.

Assessment: Portfolio (100%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Modern Social Theory

Module Code: 5SOCL001W
Location: Regent

Level 5
UK Credit Value: 20

Semester 1
Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10*

This module explores the development of social theorising in the 20th Century. It considers the continuities and discontinuities in social theorising in the context of rapid social change and it is concerned with the exploring how the core concepts of classical theory have been adapted, reworked or discarded in response to changing times. Theories including Western Marxism, the Frankfurt School, symbolic interactionism and feminism will be studied.

Assessment: In-Class Test/Assignment exam conditions (50%), Examination - Seen (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Sexualities

Module Code: 5SOCL005W
Location: Regent

Level 5
UK Credit Value: 20

Semester 1
Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10*

This module explores sexuality as a central component of contemporary life and asks how it is deployed in constructions of identity, politics, morality, oppression, liberation, and civilization itself. Sociological, feminist and queer approaches to sexuality, including critiques of essentialism and heteronormativity, are discussed along with topics including danger, the nation, marriage and pornography.

Assessment: Essay (50%), Coursework (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Emotional Life

Module Code: 5SOCL006W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Emotions are not just a private matter. This module explores the centrality of emotions to interpersonal and social life such as love and anger. It examines theories which challenge our assumptions that emotions are solely psychological cognitive states. It will offer alternative models which make the case that emotions emerge out of the social relations in which they are experienced.

Assessment: Essay (60%), Coursework (40%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Food, Taste and Consumption

Module Code: 5SOCL011W

Level 5

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

This module focuses on the study of food, taste and consumption. Based primarily in sociological thinking, it will explore how the experience of taste is not limited to our own sensual likes and dislikes, but deeply embedded in class, history, patterns of migration/ tourism and culture. It will also focus on the 'experience economy' of the dining and eating scene in London - from fine dining to fusion 'global' cuisine and the rise of farmers' markets and food festivals. The module includes fieldtrips.

Assessment: Coursework (30%), Essay (70%)

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Contemporary Social Theory

Module Code: 6SOCL002W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

This module is an exploration in contemporary social theory. It introduces poststructuralist perspectives, and engages with an eclectic range of sociological theories and debates that provide new and exciting ways of thinking about life in the twenty-first century. Students are shown how theories can be used to explore, explain and understand contemporary social issues, problems or concerns.

Assessment: Coursework (10%), Essay (90%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Perils and Pleasures: A London Sociology of Leisure

Module Code: 6SOCL006W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

London has a long and rich history as a site for transgression, entertainment and leisure. This module, using London as a point of departure, critically examines sociological theories of leisure, emotion, embodiment and pleasure. Drawing on scholarship from urban sociology, leisure studies and cultural studies, we will critically examine and evaluate practices from clubbing to shopping.

Assessment: Essay (50%), Essay (50%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Making the News

Module Code: 6SOCL007W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

This module examines the processes of the production and dissemination of news in contemporary societies. The main focus is on assessing the consequences of the concentration of media ownership and whether new media offers a viable alternative to monopolised media production. Based on case studies, the module analyses how news is produced, both linguistically and institutionally, the politics of citizenship and the need for a rigorous public realm.

Assessment: Coursework (30%), Project (70%)

*All transcripts are issued in UK credits.

Gender, Education and Identity

Module Code: 6SOCL011W

Level 6

Semester 1

Location: Regent

UK Credit Value: 20

**Equivalent Credit Value: US Credits 4 /
ECTS credits 10***

Education shapes pupil identities through the structure, policies, curriculum, culture and psycho-social dynamics of schooling. Using gender as the lens, and an intersectional analysis to evaluate other differences e.g., class, ethnicity, religion, sexuality and disability, this module examines identity work at school. Students will employ autobiographical methods to evaluate how they negotiated their educational identities at school.

Assessment: Essay (100%)

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