

# CULT 1005 CRIME, DEVIANCE AND SOCIETY

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 102039

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**Description** This unit introduces students to the theory and practice of criminology and the sociology of deviance. It considers the ways in which social order is produced, maintained and transgressed from a range of perspectives, including the Chicago school, labelling and deviance theory, Marxism, feminism, and post-colonial theory. These perspectives are explored through a discussion of contemporary issues and controversies, such as terrorism, asylum seeking, the criminalisation of protest, Indigenous incarceration, alcohol and other drug use, and transnational crime.

**School** Social Sciences

**Discipline** Criminology

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 4 10cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 1 subject

**Equivalent Subjects** CULT 1009 - Introduction to Criminology LGYB 0467 - Introduction to Criminology CULT 1006 - Crime Deviance and Society (WSTC)

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Summarise the major theories in criminology and the sociology of deviance.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of the historical, intellectual and political origins of theoretical perspectives.
3. Identify meanings and examples of key concept and theories.
4. Discuss the ways in which social norms, and concepts of crime and deviance are socially and culturally constructed.
5. Apply theories of crime and deviance to contemporary social and political debates.
6. Apply research skills to select and evaluate sources for use in academic writing.

## Subject Content

Deviance and positivism  
 The criminogenic city  
 Durkheim and strain  
 Youth and subculture  
 Radical deviance and labelling theory  
 Marxism, poverty and class  
 Feminism and critical masculinity theory  
 Ethnicity, race and post-colonialism  
 Culture and deviance as edgework  
 Sexuality, Foucault and disciplining bodies  
 Globalisation and neo-liberalism  
 Explaining crime and deviance  
 Positivism  
 Place and Crime

Anomie and Strain  
 Deviant and Criminal Subcultures  
 Labelling: Constructing Crime and Deviance  
 Race, Indigeneity and Postcolonial Theories  
 Feminism and Critical Masculinities  
 The Surveillance Society and Social Control  
 Political Economy and Crimes of the Powerful  
 Green Criminology  
 Cultural Criminology  
 International Dimensions of Crime and Deviance

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Item	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/Group Task
Short Answer	1,000 words	40	N	Individual
Annotated Bibliography	500 words	20	N	Individual
Essay	1,500 words	40	N	Individual

Prescribed Texts

- White, R, Haines, F and Asquith, N 2017, Crime and Criminology, 6th Edn, Oxford University Press, Melbourne.
- Rodas, A, Simpson, M, Rawlinson, P, Kramer, R, Ryan, E, Taylor, E, Walters, R, Beckley, A, Cunneen, C, Gore, A, Porter, A, Poynting, S and Russell, E 2020. Crime, Deviance and Society: An Introduction to Sociological Criminology. Cambridge University Press, Port Melbourne.

Teaching Periods

## Sydney City Campus - Term 1

### Sydney City

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## WSU Online TRI-2

### Wsu Online

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## Spring

### Penrith (Kingswood)

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## Liverpool

### Day

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### Online

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## Sydney City Campus - Term 3

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#### Day

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