

Faculty of Political Science

Module Outline 2019-2020 Spring

Crime and Social Policy

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Lecture Place and Time:	Faculty of Political Science, Main building No: 124, Wednesday, 13.30-			
	16.20, an hour lecture and an hour seminar.			

Assessment dates:	Mid-term exam (30 %) + Final exam (70%)
	The exam timetable is published during the term
	Attendance is compulsory. It will be monitored! (10%)

Week	Lecture	Lecturer	Notes
1	Introduction to module	BAM	No seminar this week
2	Social Question: Underclass, poverty and crime	BAM	
3	Institutionalisation of Criminology and Welfare State:	BAM	
	Titmuss and Radzinowicz		
4	Criminological Theory and Social Policy	BAM	
5	Foucault: Governmentality and Biopolitics	BAM	
6	Modernity, Later Modernity and Ontological Insecurity	BAM	
7	Crime and Unemployment	BAM	
8	Exam Weeks	BAM	No lecture or seminar
			this week
9	Problem Families and Policy Responses	BAM	
10	Youth Delinquency, Social and Penal Policy	BAM	
11	Policing, Prison and Imprisonment	BAM	
12	The Criminalisation of Poverty and Social Policy	BAM	
13	Review and Critique	BAM	No seminar this week

Course Content: This course is built upon the knowledge of theories of crime and deviance at the Fall term. Crime and social policy focuses on the intersection of welfare policy and criminal justice & disciplinary techniques of the contemporary state. It aims to show students how social question led to the birth of governmental reason that problematises crime as a social problem to be administered. The course sheds light on the development of Western welfare regimes is not only contingent on the systematisation of social assurance and assistance for those in need but also the rise of criminal justice-state machinery sanctioning those breaking the law.

Crime and social policy focuses on the British case as an empirical benchmark where social policies of the modern welfare state intersect with criminal justice policies. The course starts with the concept of social question and discuss the notion of social order with social question of crime; an alleged relationship between class, poverty and crime. Michel Foucault's governmentality is suggested as a theoretical framework to analyse the course of co-development of administrative technologies problematising some sectors of population and also subjecting them to the criminal justice apparatuses. From the British case, we will cover such topics as disordered family, youth delinquency, community safety and prison reforms.

WEEK 1:

Introduction to module

I will introduce the module and whole structure of the course throughout the term.

WEEK 2:

Social Question: Underclass, poverty and crime

Core reading

▶ Knepper, P. (2007). Criminology and social policy. London: Sage (Chapter 1).

WEEK 3:

Institutionalisation of Criminology and Welfare State: Titmuss and Radzinowicz

Core reading

- ▶ Titmuss, R. (1974). What is Social Policy? *Social Policy*. London, England: George Allen and Unwin (p. 138–147).
- ▶ Radzinowicz, L. (1999). From an Active Volcano to a Well-ordered Scenery, *Adventures in Criminology*. London: Routledge. (p. 26–47).

WEEK 4:

Criminological Theory and Social Policy

Core reading

- ► Gardland, D. and Sparks, R. (2000). Criminology, Social theory and The Challenge of Our Times, *The British Journal of Criminology* Vol. 40, No. 2, SPECIAL ISSUE: CRIMINOLOGY AND SOCIAL THEORY (SPRING 2000), pp. 189-204.
- ► Knepper, P. (2007). *Criminology and social policy*. London: Sage (Chapter 2)

WEEK 5:

Foucault: Governmentality and Biopolitics

Core reading

- ► Foucault, M. (2009). Security, Territory, Population, Lectures at the Collège de France, 1977–78. Basingstoke: Palgrave MacMillan (Chapter 5).
- ► Foucault, M. (1991). Governmentality. In Burchell, G., Gordon, C. and Miller, P. (Eds.), *The Foucault effect: Studies in governmentality*. Brighton: Harvester Wheatsheaf (p. 87–104).
- ▶ Gordon, C. (1991) Governmental rationality: An introduction. In Burchell, G., Gordon, C. and Miller, P. (Eds.) *The Foucault effect: Studies in governmentality*. Brighton: Harvester Wheatsheaf (p.1–52).

Other readings

- ▶ Dean, M. (1991). The Constitution of Poverty: Towards a Genealogy of Liberal Governance. Routledge: London.
- ▶ Dean, M. (2010). Governmentality: power and rule in modern society. Sage: London.
- ► Garland, D. (1985). *Punishment and Welfare*. Aldershot: Gower.

WEEK 6:

Modernity, Later Modernity and Ontological Insecurity

Core reading

- ▶ Hayward, K. J. (2004). City *Limits: Crime, Consumer Culture and the Urban Experience*. London: Glasshouse (Chs. 2 and 3)
- ➤ Young, J. (1999) *The Exclusive Society*. London: Sage. (Ch. 1 and Ch. 2)

Other readings

- ▶ Young, J. (2007). The Vertigo of Late Modernity. London: Sage
- ► Ferrell, J, Hayward, K, and Young, J (2008). *Cultural Criminology: An Invitation*. London: Sage (Chs. 2 and 3).

- ▶ Taylor, I. (1999). *Crime in Context*. Cambridge: Polity Press (Ch. 1 and 2).
- ▶ Lyon, D. (1994). *Postmodernity*. Buckingham: Open University Press (Ch. 3)
- ► Sumner, C.S. (1994). *The Sociology of Deviance: an Obituary.* Buckingham: Open University Press (Ch. 1)

WEEK 7:

Crime and Unemployment

Core reading

- ► Knepper, P. (2007). Criminology and social policy. London: Sage (Chapter 6).
- ▶ Rodger John J. (2008). *Criminalising Social Policy Anti-social behaviour and welfare in a de-civilised society*. Cullomptom: Willan (Chapter 3).

WEEK 8:

Exam week

WEEK 9:

Problem Families and Policy Responses

Core reading

▶ Rodger John J. (2008). *Criminalising Social Policy Anti-social behaviour and welfare in a de-civilised society*. Cullomptom: Willan (Chapter 5). Knepper, P. (2007). *Criminology and social policy*. London: Sage (Chapter 7).

WEEK 10:

Youth Delinquency, Social and Penal Policy

Core reading

- ➤ Yates, J. (2013). What Prospects Youth Justice? Children in Trouble in the Age of Austerity. In Kemshall, H.(ed.) *Crime and Social Policy*. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell (p.77–92)
 ➤ Jamieson, J. (2013). Bleak Times for Children? The Anti-social Behaviour Agenda and the Criminalization of Social Policy. In Kemshall, H.(ed.) *Crime and Social Policy*. Oxford:
- Other readings

Wiley-Blackwell (93-110).

► Crawford, A. and Newburn, T. (2003). *Youth Offending and Restorative Justice: Implementing reform in youth justice*. Cullompton: Willan.

WEEK 11:

Policing, Prison and Imprisonment

Core reading

- ▶ Neocleus, M. (2000). *The Fabrication of Social Order: A Critical Theory of Police Power*. London: Pluto. (Chs. 2 and 3).
- ► Foucault, M. (1977). Discipline and Punish: The Birth of Prison. New York: Vintage
- ▶ Rodger, J. (2013) 'Regulating the Poor': Observations on the 'Structural Coupling' of Welfare, Criminal Justice and the Voluntary Sector in a 'Big Society' In Kemshall, H.(ed.) *Crime and Social Policy*. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell (59–76).
- ► Knepper, P. (2007). Criminology and social policy. London: Sage (Chapter 8).

Other readings

- ▶ Newburn, T. (ed.) (2008) *Handbook of Policing*. Cullompton: Willan.
- ▶ Rowe, M. (ed.) (2007) *Policing Beyond Macpherson*. Cullompton: Willan.
- ► Rowe, M. (2013) *Introduction to Policing*. London: Sage.
- ► Waddington, P.A.J. (2010) What is Policing? Exeter: Learning Matters.
- ▶ Roger Matthews (2009) *Doing Time*. 2nd edn, Basingstoke: Macmillan.
- ▶ Jewkes, Y. and Johnston, H. (eds) (2006) *Prison Readings: A critical introduction to prisons and imprisonment*. Cullompton: Willan.

Week 12:

The Criminalisation of Poverty and Social Policy

Core reading

▶ Wacquant, L.J. (2009). Punishing the Poor: The Neo-liberal Government of Social Insecurity. Durham and London: Duke University Press (Part 1). Knepper, P. (2007). *Criminology and social policy*. London: Sage (Chapter 9).

WEEK 13:

Review and Revision