



Course Outline (Higher Education)

School: School of Arts

Course Title: LOCATING CRIME IN URBAN, REGIONAL AND RURAL CONTEXTS

Course ID: CRIUS2472

Credit Points: 15.00

Prerequisite(s): (CRJUS1283 and CRJUS1284 OR CRJUS1285 and CRJUS1287 OR ATSGC1283

and ATSGC1284)

Co-requisite(s): Nil

Exclusion(s): (CRJUS3472)

ASCED: 099903

Description of the Course:

This course focuses on the complex relationships between crime and violence. The course tasks students to analyse the stereotypes and understandings of crime in Australia, especially as they relate to regional and rural settings. Students will challenge the assumption that crime in the modern world is primarily an urban phenomenon. The impact of crime on local communities, both acquisitional and interpersonal, will be examined. The course will explore the complexity of contemporary crime and the responses that it generates from local communities and the formal criminal justice system. The role of law and order campaigns to manage changes in crime and violence patterns will be examined. Regional and rural crime prevention programs will be assessed, situated in the growing academic field of rural criminology. The course will consider the role of remoteness (geographical, social and political) in cycles of violence and the responses of the criminal justice institutions.

Grade Scheme: Graded (HD, D, C, P, MF, F, XF)

Supplementary Assessment: Yes

Where supplementary assessment is available a student must have failed overall in the course but gained a final mark of 45 per cent or above and submitted all major assessment tasks.

Program Level:

Level of course in Program		AQF Level of Program						
	5	6	7	8	9	10		
Introductory								
Intermediate			V					
Advanced								



Learning Outcomes:

Knowledge:

- **K1.** Identify and critically examine the dominant stereotypes and understandings of crime in Australia, especially as they relate to regional and rural environments.
- **K2.** Explain the impact of crime upon regional and rural communities, especially violent crime, and critique the key policy responses to those crimes.
- **K3.** Evaluate the assumption that crime in the modern world is primarily an urban phenomenon.

Skills:

- **S1.** Critically assess rural crime prevention strategies and programmes.
- **S2.** Apply diverse theories of crime causation to the phenomenon of crime with a particular emphasis on rural and regional Australia.
- **S3.** Identify and critically compare law and order campaigns and methods employed to manage crime and violence in urban, rural and regional communities.

Application of knowledge and skills:

- **A1.** Apply critical thinking to key debates concerning criminal behaviours in different geographic settings with a view to critically assess the appropriateness and efficacy of key policy responses arising from those debates.
- **A2.** Explain the role of remoteness (geographical, social and political) in cycles of violence and the responses of the criminal justice institutions.
- **A3.** Identify and analyse the responses of criminal justice institutions to rural crime challenges and to identify dominant reasons for differences in urban and rural institutional responses.
- **A4.** Apply socio-criminological concepts and knowledge to diverse social and geographical contexts with a particular emphasis on rural and regional experiences of crime and violence.

Course Content:

Topics may include:

- Module One: Perspectives
 - Crime in urban communities
 - History of crime in rural Australia
 - Theories of crime and violence
 - Crime in rural and regional communities.
- Module Two: Challenges
 - Rural and remote crime: Farm crime and arson crime
 - Justice and Indigenous communities
 - Alcohol abuse and drug crime in rural Australia
 - Policing rural and remote Australia
 - Policing protests and industrial disputes in regional Australia.
- Module Three: Responses
 - Crime prevention in rural communities
 - Punishment, courts and alternative justice: from city to country.

Values:

V1. Recognise the deep complexities in assessing, mitigating and addressing crime and violence in a variety of diverse geographical and social contexts.



- **V2.** Appreciate the roles of diverse government and non-government agencies and organisations in responding to crime and violence in rural and regional settings.
- **V3.** Appreciate the unique challenges faced by rural and regional communities in addressing crime and violence and the role of criminal justice agencies and institutions in doing this.

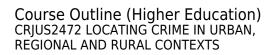
Graduate Attributes

The Federation University FedUni graduate attributes (GA) are entrenched in the <u>Higher Education Graduate</u> <u>Attributes Policy</u> (LT1228). FedUni graduates develop these graduate attributes through their engagement in explicit learning and teaching and assessment tasks that are embedded in all FedUni programs. Graduate attribute attainment typically follows an incremental development process mapped through program progression. One or more graduate attributes must be evident in the specified learning outcomes and assessment for each FedUni course, and all attributes must be directly assessed in each program

		Development and acquisition of GAs in the course		
Graduate attribute and descriptor		Learning Outcomes (KSA)	Assessment task (AT#)	
GA 1 Thinkers	Our graduates are curious, reflective and critical. Able to analyse the world in a way that generates valued insights, they are change makers seeking and creating new solutions.	K1;K2;K3;S1;S2;S3;A1;A2;A3;A4	AT1,AT2;AT3	
GA 2 Innovators	Our graduates have ideas and are able to realise their dreams. They think and act creatively to achieve and inspire positive change.	K2;K3;S2;A1;A3;A4	AT2,AT3	
GA 3 Citizens	Our graduates engage in socially and culturally appropriate ways to advance individual, community and global well-being. They are socially and environmentally aware, acting ethically, equitably and compassionately.	K1;K2;K3;S1;S2;S3;A1;A2;A3;A4	AT1, AT2;AT3	
GA 4 Communicato rs	Our graduates create, exchange, impart and convey information, ideas, and concepts effectively. They are respectful, inclusive and empathetic towards their audience, and express thoughts, feelings and information in ways that help others to understand.	K1;K2;K3;S1;S2;S3;A1;A2;A3;A4	AT1,AT2,AT3	
GA 5 Leaders	Our graduates display and promote positive behaviours, and aspire to make a difference. They act with integrity, are receptive to alternatives and foster sustainable and resilient practices.	K2;K3;S1;S2;S3;A1;A2;A3;A4	AT1;AT2;AT3	

Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Learning Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K1, K3	Analyse crime data or news pertaining to rural, regional and urban locations	Analysis of crime according to location	15-25%
K1, S2, S3, A1, A2, A3	Response to a hypothetical scenario	Briefing paper	30-40%
K2, K3, S1, S2, S3, A1, A2, A3, A4	Prepare a report for a specific audience (to be determined) which clearly demonstrates an understanding of crime and criminal justice responses in urban, rural or regional settings	Written piece	40-50%





Adopted Reference Style:

APA

Refer to the <u>library website</u> for more information

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