Security and Crime Science

Preventing Crimes (SECU0011)

**Description**

This module aims to give students a solid understanding of the crime prevention process. In order to gain this understanding it is important that students do not purely consider a crime type and suggest a list of responses. There also needs to be an understanding of the process of crime prevention - for example frameworks that can be used in planning prevention and issues that are likely to come up in the process of implementing prevention.

Furthermore, it is useful to consider issues such as the quality of evidence that is available in making decisions regarding prevention. Hence there will be discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of different evaluation designs and further evaluative techniques that are commonly used in evidence production. Finally it is useful to understand the process of synthesizing evidence on what works in reducing a particular type of crime so that it is possible to give practitioners a detailed account of what they might expect when using a particular preventative strategy. This course focuses exclusively on examples of crime reduction using situational crime prevention techniques.

*Please note you cannot take both this module and SECUGC48 (Prevention & Disruption).*

**Key information**

- **Year**: 2018/19
- **Credit value**: 15 (150 study hours)
- **Delivery**: UG L6, Campus-based
- **Reading List**: [View on UCL website](ucl.ac.uk)
- **Tutor**: Prof Kate Bowers
- **Term**: Term 2
- **Timetable**: [View on UCL website](ucl.ac.uk)

**Assessment**

- Coursework: 80%
- Oral examination (departmentally managed): 20%

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