

# Access to H.E. National Programme Unit



Unit Title:	Socio-biological Explanations of Crime		
Graded Unit Code:	GA33CRI12	Ungraded Unit Code:	UA33CRI12
Pathway(s):	Humanities and Social Science		
Module(s):	Criminology		
Level:	3	Credit Value:	3
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**The following QAA grade descriptors must be applied if you are delivering the graded version of this unit:**

1	Understanding of the subject
2	Application of knowledge
5	Communication and presentation
7	Quality

LEARNING OUTCOMES		ASSESSMENT CRITERIA	
The learner will:		The learner can:	
1	Understand the key elements of the positivist approach to biological explanations of crime	1.1	Evaluate the early biological explanations of crime offered by positivists such as Lombroso, Ferri and Garofalo
		1.2	Assess the validity of the concept of somatypes to criminological studies
2.	Understand the impact of Eysenck's theory of personality to criminology	2.1	Analyse and evaluate the biosocial contribution made by Hans Eysenck to the study of offending
3.	Understand recent developments in biosocial explanations of crime	3.1	Assess the work of contemporary researchers such as Adrian Raine and Robert Hare to the socio-biological causes of anti-social behaviour
4.	Understand the impact of substance/alcohol abuse upon criminal statistics	4.1	Outline the effects of drug misuse as a physiological facilitator to crime
		4.2	Outline the effects of alcohol misuse as a physiological facilitator to crime