

## Access to Higher Education Unit

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**Unit Title:** The Criminology of Prisons

**Graded Unit Reference Number:** GA33CRI04

**Ungraded Unit Reference Number:** UA33CRI04

**Module:** Criminology

**Level:** Three (3)

**Credit Value:** Three (3)

**Minimum Guided Learning Hours:** 30

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Understand the philosophical, social and official functions of imprisonment	1.1 Discuss the influence of contrasting philosophies in the operation of the prison system in Britain
2. Understand the use different categories of prison	2.1 Describe the categories of prisons in the United Kingdom
	2.2 Evaluate the practical and political reasons for the use of different categories of prison
3. Understand the effects of imprisonment on the individual and society	3.1 Critically evaluate the economic costs of imprisonment to society
	3.2 Discuss the psychological, social and financial effects of imprisonment on individuals, families and communities