

JUST 1005 POLICING PRACTICES (BLOCK)

Credit Points 10

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Description This subject concentrates on the implications for police practice of the legislative framework, police responsibilities including procedures, practices and methods. The content will focus on police decision-making and discretion, and the meaning and practice of police powers. The approach necessary for working with diverse communities is described and analysed, as are associated communication practices. Concepts such as the appropriate use of force, the appropriate use of personal information and the characteristics of ethical policing practice. By comparison, examples are drawn from Australian state and federal policing, and international contexts.

School Social Sciences

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 1 subject

Equivalent Subjects JUST 1003 Policing Practices
JUST 2003 Contemporary Policing
JUST 2004 Contemporary Policing (UWSC)
JUST 1004 Policing Practices (UWSC)

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 7179 – Undergraduate Certificate in Cybersecurity, Cybercrime and Behaviour.

Learning Outcomes

After successful completion of this subject, students will be able to

1. Describe the practice implications of police powers in NSW and elsewhere.
2. Demonstrate reflective and practical knowledge of police responsibilities in a range of incidents.
3. Articulate an appropriate understanding of caution, arrest, use of force, custody and offender management.
4. Articulate an appropriate understanding of Duty of Care towards victims and offenders.
5. Explain the practice implications of working with diverse communities.
6. Explain the need for clear communication between the police and the policed.

Subject Content

1. Critical issues in contemporary policing.
2. Policing around the world.
3. Governance, media and policing.
4. Legislation and the limits of contemporary policing.
5. Ethics and cultures of policing.
6. Communications in policing.
7. Community engagement and customer service.
8. Caution, arrest and use of force.
9. Custody and offender management.

10. Duty of Care to victims and offenders.
11. Future of policing in Australia.

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Participation	300 words	10	N	Individual	N
Case Study	1000 words	30	N	Individual	N
Proposal	1200 words	40	N	Individual	N
Presentatio	10 minutes	20	N	Group	N

Teaching Periods

Block B Session (2025)

Online

Online

Subject Contact

View timetable (https://classregistration.westernsydney.edu.au/odd/timetable/?subject_code=JUST1005_25-BB_ON_2#subjects)

Block C Session (2025)

Online

Online

Subject Contact

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