There should be a direct connection between policy/program and theory.

**Description of Policy/Program**
- History behind policy/program (why did it develop)
- Description of how policy/program operates
- How does the policy/program intend to reduce crime?

**Description of Criminological Theory**
- Describe criminological theory that is the foundation for the policy/program
- What is the reason for crime, according to this theory?
- What are the theory’s limitations?
- Describe how the theory forms the foundation for the policy/program.

**Research Evidence**
- How has policy/program been evaluated?
- Has it been shown to be effective? Why or why not

The strengths and weaknesses of the policy/program should be related to the limitations of the theory. How can an understanding of criminological theory predict whether the policy/program will be effective?

**Critical Evaluation**
- Describe why the program has been shown to be effective/ineffective
- What are the policy/program’s strength and weaknesses?
- What recommendations have been offered to improve the effectiveness of the program?
- How do these recommendations relate to criminological theory?