

Why study for a Diploma in Criminology?

Not all types of crime are alike. What different types of crime take place in our society?

How do we decide what behaviour is criminal?

What is the difference between criminal behaviour and deviance?

How do we explain why people commit crime?

What happens to those who commit a crime?

Why and how do we punish people?

What organisations do we have in our society to control criminality?

Want to find out? Then this is the course for you.

What new skills will I learn?

The WJEC Level 3 Diploma in Criminology has been designed to provide learners with knowledge, understanding and skills to progress to further study and training. The Diploma complements study in related subjects, such as A Level Sociology and Law. It also provides an insight into the subject area with a view to further study or training in related subjects.

Career routes in Criminology

Learners may use their Diploma in Criminology to gain access to higher education degree courses, for example BSc Criminology.

Additionally, an understanding of criminology is relevant to many job roles, for example: community development worker, detective, police officer, prison officer, probation officer, social worker and youth worker.

If you are passionate about crime and the reasons people commit crimes, then this is the course for you.

Course Outline

Year 12

Unit 1: Changing Awareness of Crime. This first unit will enable the learner to demonstrate understanding of different types of crime, influences on perceptions of crime and why some crimes are unreported. This is tested by a controlled assessment.

Unit 2: Criminological Theories. The second unit will allow learners to gain an understanding of why people commit crime, drawing on what they have learned in Unit 1. This is an examined unit.

Year 13

Unit 3: Crime Scene to Courtroom. The third unit will provide an understanding of the criminal justice system from the moment a crime has been identified to the verdict. Learners will develop the understanding and skills needed to examine information in order to review the justice of verdicts in criminal cases. This is tested by a controlled assessment.

Unit 4: Crime and Punishment. The final unit, learners will apply their understanding of the awareness of criminality, criminological theories and the process of bringing an accused to court in order to evaluate the effectiveness of social control to deliver criminal justice policy. This is an examined unit.

Lead Teachers: Ms L Fairclough

Sixth Form entry requirements:

Students must have a minimum of at least five GCSEs at grades 9 - 4. These must include English Language and at least four other subjects.

Additional requirements:

There are no additional requirements needed to study this course.

Exam Board: WJEC

Assessment:

Year 12 One controlled assessment and one externally assessed examination.

Year 13 One controlled assessment and one externally assessed examination.

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