Criminology



Course: WJEC Level 3 Applied Certificate in Criminology

Entry Requirements - 5 GCSEs at Grade 9-4 Inc. English and maths required.

<u>Course Content</u> – Criminology is the study of criminal behaviour and how it can be managed, controlled and prevented. On this course, you'll learn about all aspects of crime from a social perspective: the causes of crime, its social impact and take a look into the criminals that are committing these acts.

Unit 1: Changing awareness of crime 25% (Internally assessed: controlled assessment)

Why do crimes go unreported?

How does the media alter our perceptions of crimes?

Public awareness of crime.

Unit 2: Criminological theories 25% (Externally assessed)

What 'makes' a criminal? Is it biology, individual or social factors?

Causes of policy changes on crime.

Unit 3: Crime scene to court room 25% (Internally Assessed: controlled assessment)

The role of the police and the courts in the criminal justice system.

Miscarriages of justice.

How is evidence examined?

Unit 4: Crime and punishment 25% (Externally Assessed)

How are laws created in the UK?

What is the aim of punishment?

Analysis of different forms of social control.

<u>Career Progression</u> - The course is acceptable to both Universities and UCAS. The course offers a good basis for a varied range of courses and careers and is relevant to many job roles within the criminal justice sector, social and probation work, as well as sociology and psychology.

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