



# Criminology

Level 3 Certificate



## Course Outline

Year 12: (Certificate) focuses on the changing awareness of crime and criminological theories, looking at how different crimes are portrayed in the media and attempts to explain criminal behaviour.

Year 13: (Diploma) focuses on the legal system in more depth, how crimes are punished and what happens inside a courtroom.

Assessment is by both controlled assessment and examination. There is one examination and piece of controlled assessment in each year. Each module is equally weighted at 25%.

## Exam Board

Eduqas.

## Skills Required

Students must have a keen interest in the legal, psychological and sociological aspects of crime and the legal system, although no prior knowledge is required. Good analytical skills are required, the ability to see a range of arguments, and the ability to conduct independent research and present material effectively.

## Entry Requirement

Standard entry requirements including 5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above, including English Language or Literature.



## Future opportunities

This qualification could lead to reading Criminology, Psychology or Sociology at University, and provide a good background for entry to careers such as policing, social work, law and other aspects of the criminal justice system, such as forensic science

