



Level 3 Applied Certificate & Diploma in Criminology



What does the course look like?



The Level 3 Criminology course involves Four units.

As a fully recognised and accredited qualification, the Level 3 in Criminology will be included in any UCAS offer and is equally graded from A*-E for the UCAS Tariff Calculator.

It is both ***internally*** and ***externally*** assessed.

Controlled assessment

Formal WJEC exam in June

Who is the course for?



The **Level 3 Criminology** course is excellent preparation for those considering an application to study similar courses at university. These may include: **Criminology, Psychology, Sociology, Law** or a combination of any of these.

It is also an excellent grounding for anybody who wishes to pursue a career in **Public Services, such as the Police or The Prison Service.**

What does Criminology actually involve?

A Level Law

The study of Law, the History of Law and the Changes of the Law in England and Wales.

Criminology

Criminology is the scientific study of the nature, extent, management, causes, control, consequences, and prevention of criminal behaviour, both on the individual and social levels.

A Level Sociology

Sociology is the scientific study of society, patterns of social relationships, social interaction, and culture

A Level Psychology

This is the scientific study of the mind and behaviour.



What will you study?



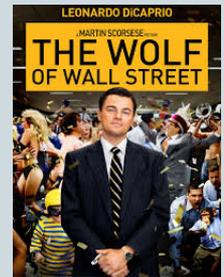
Unit 1 – Changing Awareness Of Crime YEAR 12

Here you will study:

- Different types of crime
- Why some crimes are unreported and the consequences of this.
- How the media represents crime and its impact on public perceptions
- Various campaigns for change and how the media is used in such campaigns.
- Methods used to measure the extent of crime in society.

You will also plan and design your own campaign for change in relation to unreported crime.

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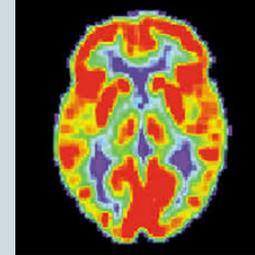


This unit is internally assessed (Autumn term) and externally moderated.

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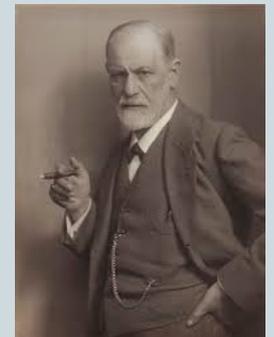


Unit 2 – Criminological Theories YEAR 12



Here you will study:

- What is meant by crime and deviance and how criminality is socially constructed.
- What motivates people to commit crimes?
- How a range of biological, sociological and psychological theories explain criminal behaviour and how effective these theories are.
- How to apply these theories to criminality.
- How the theories affect policy development.



This unit is **externally assessed**. The external assessment will consist of a 1½ hour exam [like this](#).

What will you study?



Unit 3 - Crime Scene to Courtroom YEAR 13



- The roles of personnel in Crime e.g. SOCOs, forensic specialists, the police, pathologists and the CPS
- What investigative techniques are available to investigators to help to identify the culprit? E.g. surveillance, profiling, eye witness interviews
- What happens to a suspect once charged by the police and the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS)? Inc: trial processes, use of evidence and key influences affecting the outcome of trials.
- What safeguards are in place to ensure a suspect has a fair trial?

This unit is **internally assessed** and externally moderated.



What will you study?



Unit 4 – Crime and Punishment YEAR 13



You will study:

- The process of law-making and models of criminal justice.
- Different forms of social control.
- Why do we punish people? E.g. retribution, rehabilitation
- Why do most of us tend to obey the law?
- What are the different levels of punishment available?
- What social institutions have we developed to ensure that people do obey laws? E.g. police, probation officers, prisons
- How effective are the agencies of social control?

This unit is **externally** assessed in a 1 ½ examination.



Summary of assessment



**50% externally
examined by WJEC**

One paper in year 12
and one in year 13

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examined by teachers,
externally moderated.**

One controlled
assessment in year 12
and one in year 13

Any Questions?

