

Welcome to Applied Level 3 Criminology



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Entry Requirements



Entrance into Sixth Form is based upon achieving an average points score of 4.5 in your five subjects.



As the subject is not studied as a GCSE or BTEC in KS4 the students will have a meeting with Senior Leaders who will guide and determine their suitability to study this subject in KS5.



How is Criminology graded?



Grade	UCAS Points
A*	56
A	48
B	40
C	32
D	24
E	16



This is equivalent to one A-Level.



It is accepted by universities and employers in the same way as any other A-Level.

How is the course structured?

- ▶ Four units of work over two years.
- ▶ Two units are studied per year.
- ▶ Each year has one exam and one NEA (Non-Examination Assessment).
- ▶ Each year the NEA will be assessed internally and the examination will be assessed externally.
- ▶ 6 lessons a week.



Year 12 Academic Content

Unit	Content	Assessment
Unit 1 – Changing Awareness of Crime	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Different types of crimes.• The reasons for unreported crime and the consequences.• The media representation of crime.• How campaigns for change can raise awareness of unreported crimes in society.• Planning a campaign for change relating to crime.• Knowledge is applied to an unseen scenario.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Internally assessed in controlled conditions (8 hours)• One assignment.• Completed in January.• Marked out of 100• 25% of diploma
Unit 2 – Criminological Theories	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The reasons why people commit crime.• A range of theories of criminality.• Apply the theories to case studies.• Draw on knowledge from unit 1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination - 1 hour 30 minutes• Taken in May / June• Marked out of 75• 25% of diploma



Year 13 Academic Content

Unit	Content	Assessment
Unit 3 – Crime Scene to Courtroom	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The effectiveness of the personnel involved in criminal investigations.• Investigative techniques.• The rules of evidence and how it is processed.• The CPS and the trial process.• Key influences that can affect the outcome of criminal cases.• Examine the validity of verdicts in given criminal cases.• Draw conclusions from a scenario.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Internally assessed in controlled conditions (8 hours)• One assignment.• Complete in December.• Marked out of 100• 25% of diploma
Unit 4 – Crime and Punishment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The organisation of the Criminal Justice System.• Models that are used to achieve criminal justice.• Forms of social control.• Aims and forms of punishment.• Draw on knowledge from unit 1, 2 and 3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination - 1 hour 30 minutes• Taken in May / June• Marked out of 75• 25% of diploma



Past Results

	Achieved above a grade C	Achieved below a grade C
2025 (predicted)	72%	28%
2024	82%	18%
2023	81%	19%
2022	85%	15%
2021	80%	20%
2020	71%	29%



Course Testaments

“Criminology intrigued me and we can only study it in Sixth Form. My favourite area of the course is applying my knowledge to real life case studies and independently research their cases. I also liked how the course was structured with the NEA and exam elements. It helped to balance my workload along with my other two subjects.

I am currently applying to continue studying Criminology at university. I would totally recommend this course as it opens up so many career choices.

“I really enjoyed Criminology at A-level, especially when we focused on the different theories and how they would influence people to become criminals.



Local Universities



- Birmingham
- Chester
- Coventry
- De Montford
- Derby
- Edge Hill
- Keele
- Leicester
- Newman
- Staffordshire
- Wolverhampton
- Worcester

Courses

- Criminology
- Criminology and Politics
- Criminology and Social Psychology
- Criminology and Sociology
- Forensic Science and Criminology
- Criminology (with a placement year)

- Criminology and Criminal Justice
- History and Criminology
- Journalism and Criminology
- Law and Criminology
- Psychology and Criminology
- Criminology and Policing



Thank you for listening.

Questions?

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