WJEC DIPLOMA IN CRIMINOLOGY

This course examines why people commit crime, how society deals with criminals and the ways in which crime can be prevented. It is an exciting option for anyone interested in the study of criminology and those considering a career working in the Criminal Justice System.

Level 3 · A Level (or equivalent) · Penwith College

TOP COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

AWARENESS OF CRIME | COURSEWORK AND EXAMS | EXCELLENT FACILITIES | UCAS POINTS

FRIENDLY, APPROACHABLE STAFF

The team will offer you lots of ongoing support to help you achieve your potential both in class, via one to one termly reviews and online bespoke resources.

GREAT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Our students become aware of a career in areas of the Criminal Justice System – the police, courts, prison and the probation service.

ENGAGING TOPICS

This course gives learners the opportunity to study different types of crime, influences, the criminal justice system and criminological theories.

WHY CHOOSE THIS COURSE?

Criminology considers theories that explain why people commit crime in the first place and the types of offences carried out by individuals and groups. It also examines how our perceptions (the way we see crime) develop and change over time, and how we become aware of new forms of crime.

The course also explores how the Criminal Justice System works by looking at each of its individual components in detail, including the police, courts, prison, and the probation service. Criminology has elements of sociology, psychology and law and can be studied alongside these A Level subjects. It offers a fascinating insight into the world of crime, the causes of crime, and how to effectively prevent it.

This course and the qualification you will achieve is equivalent to one A Level and it has been designed to be part of a typical two-year study programme, alongside A Levels. The qualification carries UCAS points and is recognised by higher education providers as contributing to the admission requirements of many relevant courses.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

There are four units on this course:

- Changing Awareness of Crime
- Criminological Theories
- Crime Scene to Courtroom
- Crime and Punishment

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The course is assessed using a combination of internal and external methods. Two units, Criminological Theories and Crime and Punishment, are externally assessed through formal exams. The Changing Awareness of Crime and Crime Scene to Courtroom units are internally assessed through coursework.

WHERE WILL IT TAKE ME?

Careers: The qualification allows learners to take the first steps into employment related to the Criminal Justice System. This includes the Police, National Probation Service, the Courts and Tribunals Service or the National Offender Management Service. **Progression:** Successful completion of the course is a good foundation for entry into higher education. This applies particularly to degrees including Criminology, Sociology, Psychology and Forensic Science.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at Grade 4 or above, with a Grade 5 in English or a Humanities subject. Students should be confident readers, able to write fluently and have good factual recall.

IMPORTANT

Course information can change. Please use the QR code below for the current assessment arrangements, entry requirements and start dates.

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