

# Criminology (Applied Diploma)

## Subject content

Criminology is becoming an increasingly popular subject for students interested in a career in the criminal justice system. The subject explores different types of crime, public perceptions of crime, and explanations including biological, psychological, and sociological theories. Students will also learn about investigating crimes, the trial process, and how laws are created. It is an Applied Diploma course equivalent to one A Level and can be studied alongside two other A Levels. This course is an award of WJEC. Read the course specifications [[http://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/criminology-level-3/#tab\\_overview](http://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/criminology-level-3/#tab_overview)].

## Learning methods

You will learn through a variety of methods including lectures, group activities, independent research and discussion.

## Assessment

You will be assessed via controlled assessment and examination. In both years of the course, there will be an eight-hour controlled assessment (split over two days) and a 90-minute examination.

## Progression opportunities

Progression opportunities could include going on to study a degree in criminology, sociology, psychology or law. Career opportunities could include a career in the criminal justice system such as: police officer, detective, prison officer, probation officer or social/youth worker.

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