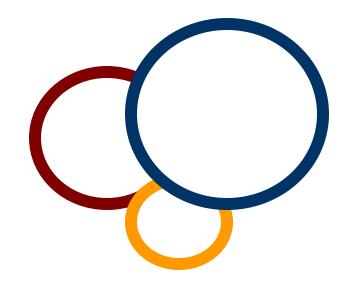


# Applied Certificate and Diploma in Criminology



### **Awarding Body: WJEC**

This course will provide you with an understanding of criminology and how it is relevant to many job roles within the criminal justice sector, social and probation work and sociology and psychology. This course has elements of psychology, law and sociology and complements studies in humanities subjects.

#### Who is the course for?

This course is an Applied General qualification. This means it is designed primarily to support learners progressing to university. It has been designed to offer exciting and interesting experiences i.e. through the acquisition of knowledge and understanding in purposeful contexts linked to the criminal justice system.

#### What can it lead to?

This course gives a good grounding for studying criminology at degree level. The skills acquired can also be beneficial in other related degree courses such as law, sociology, psychology and other humanities and social sciences subjects. Examples of careers related to studying criminology at degree level include crime scene investigator, police officer, social worker and probation officer. You can find out more at https://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/what-can-i-do-with-my-degree/criminology

# What are the entry requirements?

Five GCSE's graded at 4 and above one of which must be Maths or English Language

#### What will I study?

In year 12 you will study two units, Changing Awareness of Crime and which will be examined through a controlled assessment and Criminological Theories which is assessed by a written examination. Successful completion of these units will result in a Certificate graded A-E, broadly in line with an AS grade. In year 13 you will study two further units, Crime Scene to Courtroom which will be examined by a controlled assessment and Crime and Punishment which we be assessed by a written examination. Successful completion of these units plus the Certificate awarded in year 12 will be combined in a Diploma graded A-E, broadly in line with an A level grade.

# How will I be taught?

Through lectures, discussion and practical activities. Visits include a trip to Harrow Crown Court, a prison, the Houses of Parliament and visits from a magistrate, lawyer and police officer.

#### How will I be assessed?

50% controlled assessment 50% exams

Controlled assessments are sat in Spring and exams in summer

# **Certificate (Year 12)**

Unit 1: Changing Awareness of Crime (50% of the certificate qualification) Unit 2: Criminological Theories (50% of the certificate qualification)

#### **Diploma**

Unit 3: Crime Scene to Courtroom (50% of diploma qualification)
Unit 4: Applications of Psychology (50% of diploma)

# What equipment or materials will I need?

It will be necessary to purchase a textbook for year 12 and one for year 13 (approximately £20 each)

## **Course Offer Conditions**

Rooks Heath expects to run courses that are offered. However, courses that do not recruit to a satisfactory level may be offered at another centre or withdrawn.