



ABBEGATE

Sixth Form College

CRIMINOLOGY

Entry requirements:

A minimum of 5 GCSEs at Grade 4 - 9, minimum Grade 4 English Language

This applied general qualification is a WJEC Level 3 Diploma (equivalent to one full A-Level). You will be assessed through written exams and controlled assessment.

STUDENT PROFILE

This course will appeal to students who have an interest in:

- the psychological and sociological theories of crime
- how crime is perceived in society and the impact of the media and crime statistics.
- the different techniques used in a criminal investigation such as forensics, policing and the judiciary process.

PROGRESSION

Students often go on to university to study Criminology with Law, with Sociology, with Psychology or on its own, as a pathway to potential careers in law, the probation service, police and social services.

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COURSE CONTENT

This course has been designed to offer exciting and interesting experiences that focus on learning and developing your knowledge and understanding of the nature of crime, criminological theories and the criminal justice system.

There are four units:

1. Changing Awareness of Crime – different types of crime, influences on perceptions of crime and why it often goes unreported.
2. Criminological Theories – why do people commit crime?
3. Crime Scene to Courtroom – the criminal justice system from the moment a crime has been identified to the verdict.
4. Crime and Punishment – the application of your knowledge to authentic cases

You will develop the skills required for independent learning, for solving problems, of project based research and the ability to apply learning in vocational areas.

These are highly valued and will be useful for many degree courses and employment areas. Opportunities for visits e.g. the courts and to meet legal professionals will also be available. Assessment is 50% coursework and 50% external examination.

