Level 3 Applied Certificate and Diploma

Criminology

Part of the A Level Programme

Why study this course at Cronton Sixth Form?

Criminology is one of the most popular undergraduate courses chosen by students at university. It is a Level 3 Applied Certificate (Year 1) and Diploma (Year 2) which will prepare you for university should you wish to undertake this subject at degree level.

You will develop skills such as: independent research, the ability to write and structure a well-balanced argument, as well as, expertise in evaluation of theories and use of statistics. In addition, you will develop sound understanding of the following topics in Year 1: white-collar crime (corporate, professional and organised), moral crime, state crime and individual crime (hate crime, domestic abuse and honour crime). You will be required to plan a campaign to either raise awareness of your chosen crime or to elicit legal change (for example, harsher sentences). In Year 2, you will acquire skills to evaluate theories of crime (sociological, biological and psychological).

What will I study?

In Year 1, you will have the opportunity to understand a range of crimes committed, for example, organised crime, assisted suicide, honour killings, acid attacks and domestic violence, to name a few.

In addition, you will assess media representations of crime and the impact it has on public perception, as well as, the skills required to evaluate methods of collecting statistics about crime.

In Year 2, you will understand the process of criminal investigations including the rights of individuals involved in this process and the processes for the prosecution of suspects.

A Centre of Excellence

Students studying Humanities are taught by leaders in their specialist field. Learning is enhanced by international trips to New York, Auschwitz, Krakow and Berlin. You will also have the opportunity to go on UK field trips to put classroom theory into practice.

Students enjoy a host of opportunities to learn from leading guest experts such as solicitors, police and journalists as well as taking part in national competitions such as the Bar Mock Trials and Debating Matters. Students can also benefit from our Tomorrow's Lawyers or Tomorrow's Teachers Professional Studies Programmes.

Be inspired

The college has a leading English, Modern Foreign Languages and Humanities department specialising in providing students with a wealth of experiences.

The passionate and dedicated members of the team strive for strong academic achievement from all of their students.

Please note: all of our A Level subjects must be studied as part of a full time A Level programme. You will choose 3 A level subjects to study over two years.

How will I be assessed?

Both years of study will constitute an internal controlled assessment (50%) and an external examination (50%).

Entry Requirements

A minimum of 3 x Grade 5's and 2 x Grade 4's at GCSE including a Grade 5 in English Language, a Grade 5 in Maths and a Grade 5 to be in another written subject.

Can I study this course if I have not taken it at GCSE?

You do not need to have previously studied this subject at GCSE.

Enrichment Opportunities

- Prestigious Universities Programme
- Prestigious Studies Programme

What can this course lead on to?

The majority of our students progress onto university with a combination of the following subjects: Criminology, Criminology and Law, Criminology and Sociology or Criminology and Psychology. This course will enhance your understanding and preparation for topics and skills required at degree level.

Activities

Our highly skilled staff provide full enrichment and enhancement activities both within and outside the classroom to further stretch the students.

Ofsted Outstanding 2020

"Relationships between learners, apprentices and their teachers and assessors are excellent"

"Learners and apprentices develop their confidence, resilience and strong independence skills"

Outstanding Results 2021

A*-A 28%
A*-B 50%
A*-C 83%

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