



# The Oldershaw School

Applied Diploma Criminology - HOD: Ms P Taylor

## Course Outline & Exam Ratio

Criminology is a Level 3 subject requiring students to argue effectively in essays and assignments; to describe and evaluate, drawing inferences from data and therefore requires a minimum grade entry of 4 in GCSE English, Science and Mathematics.

It offers exciting and interesting experiences that focus learning for 16-19-year-old learners through applied learning, i.e. through the acquisition of knowledge and understanding in purposeful contexts linked to the criminal justice system.

### Year 12

Students study Unit 1, Changing Awareness of Crime and Unit 2, Criminological Theories.

### Year 13

Students cover Unit 3, Crime Scene to Courtroom and Unit 4, Crime and Punishment

### Assessment

The WJEC Level 3 Diploma in Criminology is assessed through a combination of one written examination, set and marked by WJEC, and one centre-marked assignment in Y12 and the same in Y13.

## Progression Routes

The WJEC Level 3 Diploma in Criminology has elements of psychology, law and sociology that complement studies in humanities. The main purpose of the qualification is to support access to higher education degree courses, such as:

- BSc Criminology
- BA Criminology
- BA Criminology and Criminal Justice
- BSc (Hons) Criminology and Psychology
- LLB (Hons) Law with Criminology
- BA (Hons) Criminology and Sociology
- BA (Hons) Criminology
- BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology
- BSc Criminology with Law

The WJEC Level 3 Diploma in Criminology has been designed to provide learners with underpinning knowledge, understanding and skills to progress to further study and training.

## Enrichment Opportunities

Visits to the Liverpool Crown Courts and Styal Prison to assist the application of Criminology.

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