

# Criminology

## Level 3 Diploma



### What will I learn?

Criminology is the study of crime and you will explore different types of crimes, the reasons for those crimes and why people often commit crime. You will explore how campaigns can be used to influence government and change laws as well as have an opportunity to create your own campaign and materials. You will explore psychological and sociological reasons for crimes and explore how crimes are investigated using methods such as forensics. You will explore a plethora of different case studies of serial killers and understand the legal system, how it works and how changes occur.

### How will I learn?

We use a variety of teaching methods: group work to allow you opportunities to develop friendships and team work; independent study providing opportunities to gain independence and develop organisation skills; traditional note taking; discussion lessons to prepare you for university and engage you with debating and challenging ideas to ensure you are proactive and enjoy your subjects.

### How will I be assessed?

Assessment is through a combination of internal controlled assessments, one in year 1 and one in year 2 and examination at the end of year one and year two. You will also be assessed by your teachers to help you develop your skills and given feedback to better prepare you for exams.

### Trips and extracurricular activities.

We offer opportunities to visit universities and engage with outreach programs. You will have opportunities to discuss careers with professionals and trips to Gloucester prison, Gloucester crown court and London to visit the Parliament and the Old Bailey along with other experiences. All trips are subject to change, availability and desirability.

### FAQs.

#### Do I need to have studied Criminology before?

No. The syllabus includes all knowledge needed and assumes that you have not studied Criminology before though knowledge about Criminology and an interest in current events, politics and a love of crime thrillers will be most helpful.

#### Do I need to be good at Maths?

Criminology does not have vast requirements of Maths skills but the ability to read graphs, tables and interpret data will be of most use. Be prepared to have to work on it a little if it is a subject that you find challenging.

#### What subjects complement Criminology?

Criminology is a highly popular and competitive subject in today's society. Subjects that often complement Criminology include Sociology, Psychology, Economics, Geography, Philosophy and Ethics and History.

#### What have Rednock students done with Criminology?

Many of our students go on to study Criminology at university often with Forensics or Psychology.

### Exam Board

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### Skills Gained

Problem solving  
Critical thinking  
Debating  
Evaluation  
Data analysis  
Creating Research  
Team work  
Presentation skills  
Organisation skills  
Time management skills  
Revision skills

### Careers

Forensic Science  
Social Work  
Police  
Solicitor  
Civil service administrator  
Crime scene investigator  
Journalism  
Probation officer  
Youth Worker