

# CRIMINOLOGY

APPLIED DIPLOMA (EQUIVALENT TO 1 A LEVEL)

## What is the course about?

Within this course, students will study topics on understanding different types of crime, influences on perceptions of crime and why some crimes are unreported. They will also study many aspects of the criminal justice system.

### Course content

Topics include:

- Changing awareness of crime
- Criminological theories
- Crime scene to courtroom
- Crime and punishment

### Assessment

The course is divided into four units, each assessed.

Units 1 and 3 are internally assessed.

Units 2 and 4 are examined through an external written paper.

There are opportunities for assessment in January and June of each year.

## Career pathways

Study criminology, psychology or sociology related degree courses at higher education.

Employment opportunities: police, prison or probation services, social work, youth work, forensics, law, solicitor, paralegal, etc.

## Entry criteria

Minimum of five 5 to 9 grades at GCSE.