## A level Criminology

## **Course details**

The A level Criminology course is a level 3 Applied Diploma. This qualification has elements of psychology, law and sociology.

In year 12 Students will gain an understanding of different types of crime, influences on perceptions of crime and why some crimes are unreported.

In year 13 students will study why people commit crime and the criminal justice system and understand the process that begins the moment a crime has been identified to the verdict.

Students will be required to apply their understanding of the awareness of criminality, criminological theories, and the process of bringing an accused to court to evaluate the effectiveness of social control to deliver criminal justice policy.

## The course will study the following:

- Unit 1: Changing Awareness of Crime
- Unit 2: Criminological Theories To be completed in Year 12
- Unit 3: Crime Scene to Courtroom
- Unit 4: Crime and Punishment

## Assessment: Criminology follows the WJEC specification.

Assessment for Diploma:

- **Unit 1** will be internally assessed via an electronic controlled assessment.
- **Unit 2** will be assessed externally via a 1 hour 30 minute exam at the end of the year. Assessment for Certificate:
- Unit 3 will be internally assessed via an electronic controlled assessment.
- **Unit 4** will be assessed externally via a 1 hour 30 minute exam at the end of the year.

