



# Criminology - Psychology - Law Level 3

This course is designed for 16-18 year olds and is a 2-year course that runs for a period of 36 weeks per year.

The BTEC/WJEC Applied Certificate in Law, Criminology and Psychology Level 3 qualification is a unique course that offers you the opportunity to study a full-time programme in Law, Criminology and Psychology.

If you have a vested interest in the UK legal system and criminal investigations, then this is the course for you. By choosing to study this course you will develop an understanding of why people commit crimes, whether nature or nurture influences people's choices, what happens during a criminal investigation and the processes involved when a person has been arrested and taken to court.

You will have the opportunity to visit law courts and engage with professionals from the criminal justice system. Throughout the course, you will also develop skills that are highly valued by employers and universities.

The course is scheduled for 3-4 days a week.

- [Sector Overview](#)

The demand in UK legal firms has gone up over the last two years with some top firms taking on a 30% increase in staff due to the growth.

Undoubtedly, the sector has grown and as the government is tackling down on crime, the urge for more lawyers working in the criminal law sector has taken a significant positive impact. The UK legal market 2022 indicates that all areas, including real estate, family and corporate law are in high demand.

- [Entry Requirements](#)

The entry requirements for this course are:

- 5 GCSEs at Grades 4-9 including maths and English
- Assessment
- Interview

If required, you will study GCSE or Functional Skills English and/or maths alongside your course so you can progress onto the next level.

- [What will I study?](#)

You will be studying the following units over the two years of study:

- A dispute in solving criminal law
- Investigation aspect of criminal law and the legal system
- Applying the law
- Consumer, family and contract law
- Psychological approaches and applications
- Health psychology

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- Criminal and forensic psychology
- Changing awareness of crime
- Crime and punishment
- Criminological theories
- Crime scene to courtroom
- [How will I be assessed?](#)  
You will be assessed via:
  - Units Completion (12 units over the 2 years)
  - Exams (3 each year)
  - Coursework
  - Practical assessments
- [Enrichment](#)  
To further enhance your progression, you will be attending day visits to the courtroom, speaking to guest speakers such as solicitors and barristers. Whilst taking part in sports activities, helping in charity events and having the opportunity to join the Duke of Edinburgh Award which will allow you to work on your team building skills, your health and navigation.  
Our Student Common Room is also a great place to unwind and relax during your breaks. It features pool tables, table tennis, a gaming corner and lots of comfy sofas so you can refresh before your next lesson. Themed events are held in the Common Room so you can get the best experience of being a Waltham Forest College student.
- [Work Experience](#)  
You must complete 36 hours of work placement with an external employer linked to the industry of study, which is an essential part of the programme. The links we currently have will be with RPC Law Firm and Redemption Roasters who are an independent charity supporting legal aid.
- [Progression opportunities](#)  
The completion of this course will allow you to progress onto:
  - The Solicitor Apprenticeship
  - 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
- [Alumni](#)

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