

## POST 16 SUBJECT OVERVIEW

### LEVEL 3

### **BTEC NATIONAL FOUNDATION DIPLOMA IN FORENSIC INVESTIGATION**

#### **Duration**

#### **2 Years**

If you are interested in how science can help solve crimes then this may be the course for you!

This qualification enables you to acquire substantial cross-sector scientific knowledge and practical scientific skills, as well as forensic evidence collection and analysis skills.

#### **What will I study?**

You will study four mandatory units, covering the following content areas:

- Principles & applications of science
  - Practical scientific procedures and techniques
  - Science investigation skills
  - Forensic investigation procedures in practice
- Option units cover content areas such as:

- Physiology of human body systems
- Environmental forensics
- Forensic fire investigation
- Traffic Collision investigation
- Forensic photography
- Forensic genetics

#### **How will I be Assessed?**

These units will be assessed with a mix of written examinations for some units and project work for others. Some work is externally assessed and some is internally assessed. This course is equivalent in size to one and a half A Levels.

#### **Entry Requirements**

Students should hold a minimum of 5 A\* - C GCSE Grades (or the new Grades 4 - 9) including 4|4 in combined science. (Information correct at time of going to print).

#### **Progression**

This course will help you to progress onto a variety of higher education courses. If studied alongside an A-Level in criminology, learners can progress to criminology courses.