

POST 16 SUBJECT OVERVIEW

Subject: 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. This course will give you hands-on learning and real world examples of how science is used to solve crimes. The course offers a flexible, unit-based structure, allowing you to tailor their learning to their interests and career goals.

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. Primarily the course is coursework based with some small external assessments to complete. This course is equivalent in size to one and a half A Levels.

Entry Requirements

5 GCSE's, Grade 4 and above including Maths and English, 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 including forensic science.

