



Criminology

This National Progression Award (NPA) introduces learners to criminology, including its history, the role of the media and crime prevention. It develops knowledge and understanding of the way crime and criminal justice operates and provides bite-sized chunks of learning that are straightforward for centres to adopt and for learners to study. It covers areas such as crime in the community and crime scenes.

Topics Covered

- ☐ Crime Scene
- ☐ Crime and the Law
- ☐ Crime in the Community



Skills Gained

- ☐ Literacy
- ☐ Reading
- ☐ Writing
- ☐ Numeracy
- ☐ Analysing & Evaluating
- ☐ Applying
- ☐ Research
- ☐ Problem Solving
- ☐ Ethical Reasoning
- ☐ Decision Making
- ☐ Reflective Thinking
- ☐ Organisation

DEVELOP
YOUR
SKILLS

Assessment Breakdown

Each unit has numerous outcomes that you need to pass to gain your overall reward.

Some are open book and others are closed book, where you will have to revise.

Assessments are marked and checked within the school.

Progression & Possible Career Paths

Progression:

- ☐ N5 History
- ☐ Higher History
- ☐ N5 Modern Studies
- ☐ Higher Modern Studies

Possible Career Paths:

- ☐ Police Officer
- ☐ Criminal Lawyer
- ☐ Forensic Scientist
- ☐ Youth Justice Worker
- ☐ Criminologist
- ☐ Social Worker
- ☐ Court Reporter

Entry Requirements and advice

Entry to the NPA in Criminology typically requires National 5 English, as strong literacy skills are essential for written analysis and evaluation. A background in social subjects such as Modern Studies, History, or Sociology is also advantageous, as it helps build the critical thinking and contextual understanding needed to engage with criminological concepts.

