



# CRIMINOLOGY

## What is Criminology?

An understanding of criminology is relevant to many job roles within the criminal justice sector, Social and Probation work and sociology and Psychology. Students will study different types of crime, influences on perceptions of crime and why some crimes are unreported. Students will also gain an understanding of why people commit crime.

## Why study Criminology at Cardinal Griffin Catholic College?

This is a wonderful opportunity to study a new and exciting course in the field of criminology. The study of Criminology has grown enormously over the years due to its high profile within the media and literature. People are becoming more and more fascinated with studying elements of behaviour within society.

## Course Outline the units to be covered will include:

Unit1: Changing Awareness of Crime (this unit is internally assessed and externally moderated).

The purpose of this unit is for learners to plan campaigns for change relating to crime.

Unit 2: Criminological Theories (this unit is externally assessed by exam).

The purpose of this unit is for learners to apply their understanding of the public perceptions of crime and campaigns for change studied in Unit 1 with criminological theories to examine how both are used to set policy.

## Which other subjects complement Criminology?

Criminology goes well with a range of subjects, particularly Biology, Psychology, Sociology, English, Philosophy & Ethics and Law.

## What can the qualification lead to?

Students can study a range of university courses including Criminology, Law and Psychology. Criminology leads to exciting career opportunities – whether in the police, prison and probation systems, community and charity organisations or government agencies.

This course also allows learners to gain the required understanding and skills to be able to consider employment within some aspects of the criminal justice system, e.g. the National Probation Service, the Courts and Tribunals Service or the National Offender Management Service.