

Forensic and Criminal Investigation

Level 3



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Your Study Programme:

BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Forensic and Criminal Investigation

Course Code: TFS43F1

Entry Requirements:

- 2 Year Programme
 - 5 GCSEs at grade 4 and above (A* - C) including English Language, Maths and Science
- 1 Year Programme (with opportunity to progress to second year)
 - 4 GCSEs at grade 4 and above (A* - D) including English Language

Start Date: September 2018 **Duration:** 2 years **Attendance:** Full Time

Study Programme Highlights

This study programme is designed for those who wish to pursue a career within the fields of forensic science, criminal investigation, psychology, law or applied science. The programme has been designed to include practical hands on experience in crime scene analysis, laboratory examination of evidence, policing techniques and behavioural analysis of crimes, offenders and crime scenes. This programme also covers the traditional science subjects of biology, chemistry and physics. The programme and teaching resources have been selected by experts with experience in the forensic science industry.

Study Programme Overview

The Extended Diploma in Forensic and Criminal Investigation is highly rewarding and provides learners with the opportunity to continue their education through applied learning and who aim to progress to higher education courses. It encompasses all three science disciplines as well as law, criminology, psychology and stages of police and forensic investigations is a progression route to university for these subjects.

This qualification consists of studying thirteen units over the two years and is taught with an emphasis on practical sessions, supported by self-study, presentations, group work, discussion and educational visits. Some of the core

units include Principles and Applications of Science, Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques, Science Investigation Skills, Forensic Investigation Procedures in Practice, Applications of Criminology, Criminal Investigation Procedures in Practice, and Applications of Criminal and Forensic Psychology. It is essential that students have the ability to meet assessment deadlines. The programme also has 1 unit with an external exam and 3 units with an external task set by BTEC. We will visit places of work to prepare you for your chosen career path and work experience is planned throughout the year.

Next Steps

In addition to the applied science, forensic science, criminology, and criminal and forensic psychology sector-specific content, the requirements of the qualification will mean learners develop the transferable and higher-order skills that are highly regarded by higher education and employers. The range of higher education degree courses that learners can progress to include:

BSc (Hons) in Criminology

BSc (Hons) in Forensic Psychology

BSc (Hons) in Forensic Science

BSc (Hons) in Biomedical Science

BSc (Hons) in Forensic Anthropology

BSc (Hons) in Psychology

LLB in Law

BSc (Hons) in Biological Sciences

Tuition Costs

No tuition fees are payable for students aged 16 – 18 on 31 August 2018. For all students aged 19+ fees please visit our website www.suffolk.ac.uk.

Details regarding fee remission and Advanced Learning Loans can also be found at the above website.

Additional Costs

£30 for crime scene kit and £50 for trips

How Do I Apply

Come along to one of our taster events and apply, or apply online at www.suffolk.ac.uk

Support For You

Student support contact www.suffolk.ac.uk/support_for_students/student_support or 01473 382738 or email support@suffolk.ac.uk.

This course information sheet is available in a different format e.g. large font or electronically, contact the information team on 01473 382211