

Public Services

Criminology, Communities and Criminal Justice Foundation Degree Full-time

In Brief

Start Date / Duration

This course starts in September. This course will take two years to complete.

Entry Requirements

- You will need to complete a formal application via UCAS and attend an informal interview to ensure that the course meets your needs and interests. You must be able to demonstrate a commitment to pursuing a career within a relevant field and be committed to your own personal development
- You must have completed a relevant level 3 qualification and be able to demonstrate an ability to work independently, in groups and be able to work with tutor support and guidance in both practical and academic settings
- Students will need GCSE English at grade C/grade 4 (or an alternative equivalent). Students without such formal applications are very much encouraged to apply, particularly from applicants who can demonstrate commitment and 'work-related' experience that is appropriate
- As your programme will

You will achieve

Foundation degree in Criminology, Communities and Criminal Justice

involve you working with vulnerable individuals (e.g. children and adults), you will be required to undertake a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service check

Course Overview

Criminology is the study of crime and the social and psychological constructions of crime. As an interdisciplinary social science subject, criminology draws on a range of perspectives, for example: criminal justice, sociology, psychology, law and social policy. Criminology aims to go beyond our common-sense assumptions and explore the complex and contentious nature of crime and criminal justice.

On this course students will explore a number of the following criminological topics including (but not restricted to):

- Honour based violence
- Football hooliganism
- Gangs
- Cyber crime
- Child criminality
- Immigration and crime

In year two students are expected to gain industry experience in their chosen area of the Public Services in order to develop industry specific, wider skill-set development that public service employers hold in high regard.

Course Content

- The programme is supported and influenced by public service organisations to ensure its relevance
- Guest speakers from within industry putting theory into context
- You'll be taught by staff with industry experience within the public services
- You will have professional development opportunities and be encouraged to gain industry experience
- 10 week work placement opportunity in prison

Core modules:

Year 1:

Substance Misuse, Crime and Communities – 20 Credits

Conflict Management – 20 Credits

Introduction to Academic and Research Skills – 20 Credits

The Criminal Justice System – 20 Credits

Crime and Criminal Behaviour – 20 Credits

Principles and Practice of Self-Development – 20 Credits

Year 2:

Cultures of Crime – 20 Credits
Applied Industry Experience – 20 Credits
Advanced Academic and Research Skills – 20 Credits
Offender Risk Management – 20 Credits
The Rehabilitation of Offenders – 20 Credits
Employability, Enterprise and Creativity – 20 Credits

How will I be assessed?

There are no formal examinations and most modules are likely to be assessed via a variety of coursework methods. Coursework assessments are likely to include essays, reports, presentations, professional meetings, research and reflections and group activities as well as undertaking a Dissertation which includes a Research Proposal and Ethics submission.

What Equipment Will I Need?

No equipment needed.

Where will I study?

TBC

What can I do next?

Students will develop intellectual, practical and employability skills throughout the course, including (but not limited to): analytical techniques, approaches to solving problems, effective communication, subject-specific practical skills, approaches to undertaking research and business and sector awareness.

The skills developed through the course are transferable into a range of employment scenarios and students will be given support in aiding smooth progression into employment. The degree also nicely-places students who wish to progress onto further and higher study at MA/MSc level or PGCE qualifications in an appropriate area.

How much does the course cost?

This course costs £5,995 per year.

Extra information

Disability and Dyslexia Service (DDS) Higher Education

We offer a service to any student who has a diagnosis of anything persistent or long-term which might interfere with how they study and manage their day-to-day academic engagement. The service is flexible and shaped around the needs of each individual; it might be consistent support or intermittent support.

For further information please refer to our website. [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/higher-education/dds-at-higher-education/>]

HE Student Finance

As a Higher Education student living in England you may be eligible for the non-means tested Tuition Fee Loan from the Government. For further details go to:
www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance [<http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance>]

You may also be eligible for a Maintenance Loan. See the Government website [<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance>] for up-to-date details.

Students with children or dependant adults may qualify for a Childcare Grant or Adult Dependents' Grant. Students can apply for these at the same time as applying for a Maintenance Loan.

Remember: Eligible students will not have to pay tuition fees in advance and can apply for the Maintenance Loan before they start the course.

Apply online at www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance [<http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance>]

Contact the Information Unit

For further information please contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email info@barnsley.ac.uk [<mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk>]

Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and the Sports Village?

Barnsley College has a range of sports opportunities for all students to take part in, gain professional training and compete nationally and internationally. We also have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates. You don't have to be studying sport to get involved in the Sports Academy [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/our-departments/sport/sports-academy/>].

Disclaimer

Please note we reserve the right to change details without notice. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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