

# Forensic and Criminal Investigation Level 3

## Overview

Designed as a two-year, full-time course that meets entry requirements in its own right for learners who want to progress to higher education courses in the forensic and criminal investigation sector before entering employment.

## Course overview

### The course will have the following mandatory units:

- Principles and Applications of Science & Investigation Skills
- Forensic Investigation Procedures in Practice
- Aspects of Criminology
- Criminal Investigation Procedures in Practice

### A three further modules will be taken:

- Physiology of Human Body Systems
- Environmental Forensics
- Forensic Fire Investigation
- Forensic Traffic Collision Investigation
- Forensic Photography
- Forensic Genetics

## Assessment method

Each assessment is taken under specified conditions, then marked by Pearson and a grade awarded. The styles of external assessment used for qualifications are:

- examinations: 46% is externally assessed
- coursework assignments: 54%

For example, learners will take part in a mock courtroom trial, as an expert witness. This will perform part of their assessed work.

## Additional information

The course is equivalent to two A levels.

There are a number of compatible level three courses that can be taken alongside.

## For more information contact

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## Futures

Higher Education  
Employment within the Police Force, science laboratories, teaching, microbiology, environmental sciences, Medical Officer, Probation service

## Exam board

