

L3 BTEC Forensic Science

Why study L3 BTEC Forensic Science?

This Level 3 science qualification is the equivalent to two A Levels but with lower entry requirements. The course combines the skills needed for scientific investigation and analysis with a knowledge of law and police procedure. If you study Forensic Science you will also develop key skills such as problem solving, interpersonal skills and resilience.

Did you know?

In combination with other qualifications, Forensic Science can lead to opportunities in higher education:

With an A Level in Chemistry, learners can progress to forensic science degree courses

With an A Level in Psychology, learners can progress to psychology courses

With an A Level in Sociology, learners can progress to criminology courses.



What will I study?

Everyone taking this qualification will study six mandatory units, including three units that are externally assessed.

These are:

Unit 1: Principles and Applications of Science

Unit 2: Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques

Unit 3: Science Investigation Skills

Unit 4: Forensic Investigation Procedures in Practice

Unit 5: Applications of Criminology

Unit 6: Criminal Investigation Procedures in Practice.

In addition to these there are two units which are chosen by the school. These are likely to be Forensic Genetics and Practical Chemical Analysis.

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Assessment

Three of the 8 modules will be assessed externally, the remaining 5 modules will be assessed internally by completing assignments.

Study trips, visits and events

Students may visit a laboratory, the law courts or a police station.

Subject entry requirements

4 in a science and a 4 in maths