

Protective Services

Access to HE Diploma in Criminology and Policing

Campus: Dearne Valley College

Code: D14HE01

Level: 3

About This Course

This one-year programme is designed for adults wishing to progress to university to study professional degrees within Criminology and Policing.

The course will equip you with the fundamental knowledge, skills and behaviours required to help you progress to have a career in the Police as a PC or part of the CID entry programme, criminal psychology or forensic psychology, as well the criminal justice system including border force and the prison and probation services.

This course represents the latest in professional standards, which ensures that you have the knowledge and expertise to progress further academically and professionally.

What Will I Study?

Topics include

- Study Skills
- Law
- Psychology
- Criminology
- Sociology

Why Study Here?

Our learners have successfully progressed onto a wide range of degree programmes at a variety of different universities across the country. You will be encouraged to gain experiences linked to Criminology and Policing, and to develop your knowledge, skills and behaviour specific to the subjects you are studying.

Entry Requirements

- You must be 18 years or over
- GCSE English and maths at grade C/4 or above
- A Maths Functional Skills qualification may be accepted following discussion with the course leader

How To Apply

You can apply using our online application form and clicking the **Apply Now** button at the top of this page.

For more information support with your enquiry or application please contact Student Services by emailing learn@dearne-coll.ac.uk [mailto:learn@dearne-coll.ac.uk] or by calling **01709 513355**.

Career Opportunities

These courses can enhance progression to have a career in the Police as a PC or part of the CID entry programme, criminal psychology or forensic psychology, as well the criminal justice system including boarder force and the prison and probation services.

Tuition Fees

Those aged 19 or over may not need to pay fees depending on their circumstances. Find out if you qualify for help with fees.

If you need further advice or guidance please contact the Enquiries Team on **01709 513355**.

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