Curriculum Overview 2019-20

Criminology Diploma WJEC

Year group: 13

Periods per fortnight: 8

INTENT:

LEVEL 3 Diploma Criminology

The Criminology Level 3 course is designed to engage students through topics and issues that are relevant in today's society particularly in respect of the law and the social environment in which we live—they will study key topics. They will study topics related to all processes involved in the criminal justice system with a coursework unit entitled 'from crime scene to courtroom. The course is designed for resilient students due to the continues nature of the coursework. Students have the opportunity to work in teams and are encouraged to work together in paired tasks.

Students also develop greater understanding of local and national issues affecting all levels of society and become independent learners through their research (a percentage of which is field research). They are encouraged to take a greater interest in current affairs from both a legal and social perspective engendering ca greater depth of curiosity about the world in which they live together with an ambition to make a greater personal impact.

Students are able and encouraged to conduct extended reading on this course with particular emphasis on the social history of the country so the impacts can be discussed in the classroom making them more aware and empathetic of the various sectors within our society

This course prepares our students for further education, apprenticeships and the world of work and provides them with an awareness of the roles studied within the criminal justice system. Listening to how a number of higher profiled judges have achieved their goals gives students an ambition to make a success of their own future.

Term	Topics studied	Extended learning opportunities	How parents could
	Add dates and any assessments	(homework, controlled assessments,	support students
	included	field work, trips etc.)	
Autumn	Unit 3: From Crime Scene to court	Extended work: A – E graded tasks	Discuss their work & how
Term	Room	(research & evaluative)	it operates particularly
	Internal Assessment	Homework Flipped Learning	with reference to change
	Section A		
	Understand the process of		
	criminal investigations		
	 Evaluate the 		
	effectiveness of the roles		
	of personnel involved in		
	criminal investigations		
	 Assess the usefulness of 		
	investigative techniques		
	 Explain how evidence is 		
	processed		
	 Examine the rights of 		
	individuals in criminal		
	investigations		
	Section B		
	Understand the process for the		
	prosecution of suspects		
	Explain the role of the		
	crown prosecution		
	service.		

	Describe the trial		
	process		
	 Understand the rules in 		
	relation to the use of		
	evidence		
	Assess key influences		
	involving the outcomes		
	of trials		
	Discuss the use of lay		
	people in criminal cases		
	Assessment & Feedback (Dec) SECTION C		
	Examine information for		
	validity • Draw conclusions from		
	information		
Spring	Unit 4: Crime and punishment	Extended A - E graded tasks	Discuss their work & how
Term	Section 1	(research & evaluative)	it operates, Encourage
	5 " "	Homework Flipped Learning	interest in current affairs
	Describe the process used for law making	Revision: Key terms & theories	
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	Describe the crapping tions of the		
	organisations of the		
	criminal justice system		
	 Describe models of 		
	criminal justice		
	Section 2		
	 Explain forms of social 		
	control		
	 Discuss the aims of 		
	punishment		
	 Assess how forms of 		
	punishment meet the		
	aims of punishment		
	Section 3		
	Explain the roles of		
	agencies in social		
	control		
	Describe the contribution		
	of agencies		
	Examine the limitations		
	of agencies in achieving		
	social control		
	Evaluate the effectiveness of		
	agencies in achieving		
	social control		
	End of section assessment		
	Mock exam (March)		
	Testing & past papers March to		
	Exam		

IMPACT:

Two units of work one internal and one external to be assessed Student evaluation forms to measure enjoyment Peer and Self-assessment with schools virtues Skills booklet to tick off virtues