

High Aspirations
High Expectations



Sociology & Criminology

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As one of the most popular choices for A Level, **Sociology** offers an engaging and effective introduction into British society.

Sociology is the study of human social relationships and institutions in society. It is a broad subject covering a range of societal issues such as crime, families and households, education, religion and many more.

If you enjoy debating key issues within society, challenging preconceived notions and ideas, and thinking critically about the world around you then this is the course for you. **Sociology** offers a diverse range of learning opportunities including lessons that allow for a large amount of discussion and opportunities to debate relevant issues within society today.

Criminology is a relatively new subject at level three and is fast becoming one of the most popular choices. **Criminology** is a detailed exploration into the phenomenon of crime examining issues such as:

- Why do people commit crime?
- Is prison effective?
- Why are some groups more likely to be criminal than others?
How are crimes investigated?

As a subject it incorporates elements of sociology, psychology, and law but with the focus entirely on crime and with reference to multiple case studies. **Criminology** is a subject where key social issues and questions in contemporary society are discussed and students are encouraged to critically engage with the world around.



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Courses available:

Level 3 Vocational Criminology
A Level Sociology

A Level Sociology course consists of three exams at the end of 2 years, which are two hours each.

A Level Criminology is assessed per year, in the first year students will sit one controlled assessment and one exam, equating to 50% of their final grade. Similarly, in their second year, students sit one controlled assessment and one exam, again equating to 50% of their grade.

Learning experience:

Guest speakers from the police force, probation officers and ex offenders
Visits to the courtroom to observe criminal cases in action

Progression routes:

Most students go onto university to study sociology and criminology as either a joint honours or as two separate Bachelor of Science/Art degrees. Careers include;

- **Social / Youth Work**
- **Law**
- **Journalism**
- **Policing**
- **Marketing**
- **Civil Service**
- **Teaching**

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Sam Rawcliffe



Attended:
Wright Robinson College

Study Programme:
Sociology – A
Criminology – B
Sport – D*

Progression:
University of Manchester
BA (Hons) in Sociology and Criminology

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