

Brighthouse High Sixth Form College Criminology Induction

WJEC Applied Diploma in Criminology Induction : Yr 12 Topics



Unit 1: Changing Awareness of Crime

- Different types of crime
White collar
Moral
Technological
State
Individual including Domestic violence, Honour crime and Hate Crime



- How crime statistics are reported
Crime Survey for England & Wales
Police records
- The “dark” figure of crime



- Media representations of crime
TV dramas & films
Newspapers & magazines
Music



- Campaigns to bring change
Clare's Law
Sarah's Law
Lillian's Law
Surfers Against Sewage
The League Against Cruel Sports
Dignity in Dying



Unit 2: Criminological Theories

- What is the difference between criminal behaviour and deviance (and how this changes depending on time, place and culture)?
Adultery
Homosexuality



- How do we explain why people commit crime?
Money
Opportunity
Family Issues
Situations
Work



- What makes someone a serial killer, or abusive to their own families?
Free Will Versus Determinism
Genetic factors
Physiological Factors
Psychological Factors
Environmental Factors



- What are the theories about why people commit crime?
Individualistic Theories
Biological Theories

Classical School of Criminology

emphasizes the ideas that people make choices to commit crime and that punishment should be about preventing future crimes from being committed



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Sociological Theories

What can I use to help prepare for the WJEC Applied Diploma in Criminology ?

To most students this will be a completely new subject so it can be a bit daunting. A key starting point is to look carefully at the outline of the Year 12 course so you become familiar with what you are going to be studying.

You may also want to visit the WJEC website <http://www.wjec.co.uk/qualifications/criminology/>

Another top tip to get ahead is to look carefully at the content and identify any terms used which you do not understand and see if you can find out what they mean for example: CESW, dark figure of crime, moral crime, white collar crime, & campaigns for change Above all watch the news and try and read different newspapers so you have an idea of what is going on in the world around you!

Independent Study Tasks :

Task 1:

You should prepare a mind- map, poster or a power- point presentation which has the central theme” Types of Crime” . You need to explore the following types of crime:

- ✓ White collar (tax evasion, internet fraud)
- ✓ Moral (prostitution, gambling, assisted suicide, drug use)
- ✓ Technological (illegal down loads, hacking of personal details)
- ✓ State (Human Rights Abuses)
- ✓ Individual (Domestic violence, Honour crime and Hate Crime)

With each type of crime can you try and give a clear definition and an actual example.

Task 2:

Research a Campaign for change. Present your findings in a word document. You should include:

- An overview of the background to the campaign
- An explanation of what the campaign is trying to achieve/ has tried to achieve
- An explanation of the tactics used by the campaign to get support
- An evaluation of how successful the campaign has been

Some ideas of campaigns are listed below, though you are welcome to find your own examples: Clare’s

Law

Sarah’s Law

Lillian’s Law

Surfers Against Sewage

The League Against Cruel Sports

Dignity in Dying

Save Lives-stop knives

Talk To Frank

Task 3:

Pick a day and find out the name of all crime related shows (drama or documentary) shown on that day on the following channels:

BBC 1, BBC 2, ITV, Channel 4 & Channel 5.

Present your findings as a table, graph or bar chart.