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# Access to Higher Education (Forensics and Criminology) Level 3 Diploma

Southend Campus

Do you want to develop a rewarding career in the field of criminal justice or forensics?

## Overview

This course is for people that would like to study on a Higher Education programme in Forensics or Criminology e.g. the Criminology and Forensic Investigation BSc (Hons), but need to gain the required entry qualifications and skills.

Access programmes entail 13 hours of direct contact time in addition to a minimum of 13 hours independent study.

## About this course

### Why should I do this course?

The Diploma will give students opportunities for studying a range of areas in forensics and criminology prior to making a choice of specialism. The Diploma will also help students develop their individuality, improve problem solving skills and thereby increasing their overall confidence.

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## What's covered?

You will study a range of different units across the programme, some focusing on your academic skills and some more subject specific, such as:

- Introduction to criminology
- Introduction to criminal Law
- Careers within forensic science and criminology
- The psychology of offender profiling
- Criminal investigation and the criminal justice system
- Forensic investigation procedures
- Cell biology and biochemistry
- Chemical basics and atomic structure

## How will my work be assessed?

There is a range of assessment techniques for the subjects covered which may include assignments, presentations and examinations.

## What can I do after this?

Following successful completion of this Diploma, students will be able to progress to University to a range of pathways including criminology, police studies, forensic investigation and social sciences, including our BSc Criminology and Forensic Investigation programme here at University Centre Southend.

## Entry requirements

At least one GCSE in either English Language or Maths at C or Grade 4 or above or equivalent (Functional Skills Level 2) – Evidence of this will be required during the application cycle.

Ideally you will have both. However, you may work towards the one that you do not have whilst studying with us.

Many universities require GCSE Maths and English rather than an equivalent. It is your responsibility to begin checking which qualifications you require with the university or college you wish to progress to.

As part of the interview process, as well as showing suitability through a verbal interview you will need to complete a short computer-based assessment in Maths and English to show that you are currently working to a minimum of level 1.

## Applying

If you'd like to apply for this course, please complete our online application form. Alternatively you can fill out a paper application form (you can pick these up from reception and are also in the back of our prospectuses) and mail it to our freepost address:

South Essex College  
Freepost SMU110  
Luker Road  
Southend on Sea  
Essex

## Course options

Venue	Starts	Attendance	Duration	Provision	Cost	Cost Details
Southend Campus (Luker Road)	Monday, September 14, 2020	Full time	1 year	Adults	£3000.00	Course fee based on 2018-19 for UK/EU students. Please note the cost stated is for 2018/19 and may increase for 2019/20.

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