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BTEC National Extended Diploma in Applied Science (Forensics)

Around 20 per cent of the UK workforce are in science-related careers and there is a shortage of people with Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) skills.

If you are interested in how science can unlock the secrets of a crime scene, then our courses are for you. It's not just the Police who use CSI trained staff: The Fire Service, Prisons, Customs, UK Border Agency, Private Investigation Companies and many more sectors deploy trained staff. Forensic scientists include:

- Anthropologists
- Entomologists
- Biologists
- DNA Experts
- Ballistics Experts
- Pathologists
- Chemists

You can study practical, hands-on courses which can lead you to work or to university to study for a degree. The BTEC Extended Diploma in Science at Level 3 is equivalent to 3 A Levels.



What will I learn?

Do you envisage yourself in a white suit, with latex gloves and lots of plastic bags? Are you hooked on CSI Miami or CSI New York?

Do you have a logical mind? Are you focussed on finding solutions, intrigued by puzzles and fascinated by the important role science has in solving crime? Then a career in science could be just for you.

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science (Forensic Science) pathway will provide you with the opportunity to understand better the workings of the criminal mind, how crime scenes are investigated and the procedures followed and collect and analyse evidence from a crime scene.

This course could be your springboard to university. If you have an enquiring mind, a passion for science, a fascination with solving puzzles, with collecting all the minute details to find an answer, and keep a keen eye on developments in the scientific world? Then this is the ideal solution.

This course is equivalent to three A Levels and with Distinctions would take you on to the university of your choice.

Come and speak to us and decide on the fascinating and exciting world of forensic science as your career.

How will I be taught?

You will study in our brand new STEM Centre (Science Technology Engineering & Maths).

Theory and practical sessions supplemented with relevant off-site visits. Your Personal Coach is here to provide support and guidance too.

How will I be assessed?

A portfolio of evidence will be produced and all modules are internally set and marked by the tutors.

To achieve the Level 3 Extended Diploma ALL units must be passed. To get a chance at a top university of your choice studying Forensic Science at degree level, you need to aim for Distinctions in all units - Forensic Science is popular and competitive and only the best get a career in this field - ENSURE YOU ARE ONE OF THE BEST.

What qualifications do I need to qualify for this course?

You will need to have 5 GCSEs at Grade A-C including Mathematics, English and a Science. You need to have good grades and also be someone keen to complete tasks, enjoy the detail required to investigate and analyse information and data and be prepared to complete all 18 units studied to gain this qualification.

You must have completed the BTEC Subsidiary Diploma in Applied Science to join this Extended Diploma course.

What can I do after this course?

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science (Forensic Science) is equivalent to three A Levels.

In order to be considered for an Higher Education degree course you will need to aim for an overall Distinction each year of the BTEC course.

Will I need any special equipment?

Everything will be provided for you, but you will need to purchase text books to support your course. You will be given a book list at the start of your course.

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