



CRIMINOLOGY

Criminology Year 13

Overview—Criminology This qualification looks at the types of crime that take place within our society. How do we decide which behaviour is criminal? How do we explain why some people commit crime and how can we use different theories of criminality to explain this behaviour?

Headlands School follows the WJEC Applied Diploma in Criminology which is graded A*-E with a C carrying 32 UCAS tariff points

Assessment — Unit 3: This unit is assessed through an 8-hour controlled assessment (internally assessed at school and externally moderated) Unit 4: This unit is assessed through examination. The exam consists of short answer and extended writing questions and lasts 1 hour 30 minutes.

There will be opportunities to improve marks on these assessments by retakes and 2nd chances. Extra Trips will be organised to ensure students realise all the opportunities that are available in terms of future employment

Unit 3 – Through this unit, you will develop the understanding and skills needed to examine information in order to review the justice of verdicts in criminal cases. **You will review criminal cases, evaluating the evidence in the cases to determine whether the verdict is safe and just**

Unit 4– Society has had to develop a complex system of mechanisms, processes and organisations to ensure that people do not break the law. If they do commit crime, society needs to be protected from their behaviour you will be evaluating the effectiveness of social control.