

## Course Information Sheet

### Criminology Introduction

#### ***Introduction***

Criminology is the study of crime. We will look at explanations for criminal behaviour, how crime is detected and how society deals with criminal offenders.

#### ***What are the course entry requirements?***

To get the best from this course you should be able to:

- follow verbal and written instructions
- produce written material
- use a library or computer to search for information
- join in group discussions with an open mind!

If you wish to discuss any of the above please contact Information, Advice and Guidance on 0845 600 1331

#### ***How long is the course?***

3 - 5 Weeks – see current brochure for details

#### ***What will the course involve?***

We will look at explanations for criminal behaviour, how crime is detected and how society deals with criminal offenders.

#### ***How will I be learning?***

The course will combine direct teaching from the tutor, group discussions, printed handouts and worksheets.

Learners will have an opportunity to perform their own independent research and a task will be set that can be completed at home.

There is no formal assessment; learners will produce evidence in a portfolio which will be collected in at the end of the course.

#### ***What equipment will I need?***

Pen and paper for note taking. A folder to organise notes and handouts in will be useful as well but this isn't needed on the first week.

#### ***How will I know if I am making progress?***

During the course your progress will be checked using a variety of techniques which will include: informal quizzes, group discussion, question and answer sessions and the tutor will provide feedback.

***What course work will I be expected to complete?***

Learners will have an opportunity to perform their own independent research and a task will be set that can be completed at home.

***What can I expect to learn from this course?***

Contribute to informed discussions on the nature of crime and on the rehabilitation of offenders.  
Conduct independent research (of an offender) and informally evaluate according to Hares typology and/or psychological theories of offending behaviour.  
Short written questions and answers on one of the topics covered in the course.

***Will I need to cover anything in addition to the course fee?***

No

***What other training programmes and progression opportunities are there?***

Lancashire Adult Learning offers a Level 2 (GCSE equivalent) course in Criminology as well as many other courses that relate to Criminology – such as Psychology, Sociology and Drug Use/Misuse.  
If you require in-depth advice on progression opportunities or guidance on career choices please contact our Information Advice and Guidance Officers on 0845 600 1331. For general information about other courses, contact us on the same number or check out the website [www.lancashire.gov.uk/adultlearning](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/adultlearning)