

# Public Services

## Criminology, Communities and Criminal Justice Foundation Degree Full-time

### In Brief

#### Start Date / Duration

This course starts in September 2025. This course will take two years to complete.

#### Entry Requirements

- You will need to complete a formal application via UCAS and attend an informal interview to ensure that the course meets your needs and interests. You must be able to demonstrate a commitment to pursuing a career within a relevant field and be committed to your own personal development
- You must have completed a relevant level 3 qualification and be able to demonstrate an ability to work independently, in groups and be able to work with tutor support and guidance in both practical and academic settings
- Students will need GCSE English at grade C/grade 4 (or an alternative equivalent). Students without such formal applications are very much encouraged to apply, particularly from applicants who can demonstrate commitment and 'work-related' experience that is appropriate
- As your programme will involve you working with vulnerable individuals (e.g. children and adults), you will be required to undertake a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service check

#### You will achieve

Foundation degree in Criminology, Communities and Criminal Justice

### Course Overview

Criminology, the study of crime and its social and psychological contexts, spans diverse fields like criminal justice, sociology, psychology, law, and social policy. This course covers topics such as honour-based violence, gangs, cybercrime, and immigration-related crime. In the second year, students gain industry experience and undertake a 10-week work placement in prison, enhancing their skills and employability. Guest speakers and industry-experienced staff provide real-world insights.

Course highlights:

### Year 1:

- Substance Misuse, Crime and Communities (20 Credits)
- Conflict Management (20 Credits)
- Introduction to Academic and Research Skills (20 Credits)
- The Criminal Justice System (20 Credits)
- Crime and Criminal Behaviour (20 Credits)
- Principles and Practice of Self-Development (20 Credits)

### Year 2:

- Cultures of Crime (20 Credits)
- Applied Industry Experience (20 Credits)
- Advanced Academic and Research Skills (20 Credits)
- Offender Risk Management (20 Credits)
- The Rehabilitation of Offenders (20 Credits)
- Employability, Enterprise and Creativity (20 Credits)

This course is validated by The University of Hull. Read the University of Hull Collaborative Provision Guide for Students 2024/25 [[https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/app/uploads/2024/12/221124\\_Guide-for-CP-Students-2024\\_digital.pdf](https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/app/uploads/2024/12/221124_Guide-for-CP-Students-2024_digital.pdf)] .

## Course Content

### How will I be assessed?

There are no formal examinations and most modules are likely to be assessed via a variety of coursework methods. Coursework assessments are likely to include essays, reports, presentations, professional meetings, research and reflections and group activities as well as undertaking a Dissertation which includes a Research Proposal and Ethics submission.

### What Equipment Will I Need?

No equipment needed.

### Where will I study?

TBC

### What can I do next?

Students will develop intellectual, practical and employability skills throughout the course, including (but not limited to): analytical techniques, approaches to solving problems, effective communication, subject-specific practical skills, approaches to undertaking research and business and sector awareness.

The skills developed through the course are transferable into a range of employment scenarios and students will be given support in aiding smooth progression into employment. The degree also nicely-places students who wish to progress onto further and higher study at MA/MSc level or PGCE qualifications in an appropriate area.

## How much does the course cost?

Course fees: £6,995\* per year for those that enrol in September 2025 (\*subject to approval from the Office for Students).

## Extra information

### Disability and Dyslexia Service (DDS) Higher Education

We offer a service to any student who has a diagnosis of anything persistent or long-term which might interfere with how they study and manage their day-to-day academic engagement. The service is flexible and shaped around the needs of each individual; it might be consistent support or intermittent support.

For further information please visit the Disability and Dyslexia Service (DDS) [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/higher-education/dds-at-higher-education/>] web page for more information.

### HE Student Finance

As a Higher Education student living in England you may be eligible for the non-means tested Tuition Fee Loan from the Government and a Maintenance Loan.

Students with children or dependant adults may qualify for a Childcare Grant or Adult Dependents' Grant. Students can apply for these at the same time as applying for a Maintenance Loan.

Remember: Eligible students will not have to pay tuition fees in advance and can apply for the Maintenance Loan before they start the course.

Visit the Student Finance page on the Government website [<https://www.gov.uk/browse/education/student-finance>] for further details and to apply.

### Contact the Information Unit

For further information please contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email [info@barnsley.ac.uk](mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk) [<mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk>]

### Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and Honeywell Sports Village?

Barnsley College has a range of sports opportunities for all students to take part in, gain professional training and compete nationally and internationally. We also have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates. You don't have to be studying sport to get involved in the Sports Academy [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/barnsley-sports-academy/>] .

## Disclaimer

Please note we reserve the right to change details without notice. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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