

Public Services

Criminology, Communities and Criminal Justice Level 6 (Top-Up) BSc Part-time

In Brief

Start Date / Duration

This course will start in September 2024 and run for two years.

Entry Requirements

You will have to have achieved either of the following to access the programme:

- Successful completion of a level 5 qualification, HND or Foundation Degree in relevant topic area.
- English and Maths at grade 4 (C) or above, or Level 2 Functional Skills. Willingness to complete English and Maths qualifications alongside the programme will be considered.

All applicants must complete a satisfactory interview.

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 (DBS) check.

You will achieve

BSc Level 6 (Top-Up) Degree – Criminology, Communities and Criminal Justice.

Course Overview

On this course, you will critically explore a number of contemporary criminological topics, alongside developing wider, holistic and authentic skillsets through innovative assessment

methods.

This course is currently subject to validation by the University of Hull.

Course Content

Criminology aims to go beyond our common-sense assumptions to explore the complex and contentious nature of crime and criminal justice. On this course you will critically explore a number of contemporary criminological topics, alongside developing wider, holistic and authentic skillsets through innovative assessment methods.

A high emphasis is placed on employability, of which is designed to allow you to 'stand out from the crowd' and aid in the successful attainment of professional careers within the criminal justice sector post-graduation. As part of the focus of wider skillset development, you will be expected to take part in crisis management and hostage negotiation assessments to reflect the qualities in which are held in high regard within the sector. In addition, you can also expect to take part in work integrated learning through taking advantage of a wide range of industry placements that we have on offer within the criminal justice sector. Our aim of this top-up programme is to produce industry ready graduates who will be the professionals of the future.

Modules you will study on the course are:

Module	Credits
Criminality, Communities and Mental Health	20 Credits
Prisons and Punishment	20 Credits
Emergency and Disaster Management	20 Credits
Professional Context Project	20 Credits
Dissertation	40 Credits

This course is validated by The University of Hull. Read the University of Hull Collaborative Provision Guide for Students 2023/24. [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/app/uploads/2023/11/2023-24-Guide-for-CP-Students.pdf>]

How will I be assessed?

There are no formal examinations and most modules are likely to be assessed via a variety of innovative methods. Coursework assessments are likely to include essays, briefing notes, presentations, E-portfolios, research and reflections and focus group interviews as well as undertaking a Dissertation which includes a Research Proposal and Ethics submission. The practical element of assessments feature a hostage negotiation exercise and developing and integrating a professional context project.

What Equipment Will I Need?

No equipment is needed.

Where will I study?

Church Street campus
Church Street

What can I do next?

You will develop intellectual, practical and employability skills throughout the course, including (but not limited to): analytical techniques, approaches to solving problems, effective communication, dynamic risk management, 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 you will be given support in aiding smooth progression into employment. The degree also prepares you 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 are £2,995 per year.

19+ Students

Aged 19 or over and thinking about further education? You may be eligible for free or reduced course fees. Please refer to our page ['paying for your course.'](#)

Financial support

You may be eligible for assistance with expenses such as travel, books, equipment and childcare. For further information please contact the Student Services Team on +44 (0)1226 216 267.

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 refer to our website. [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/higher-education/dds-at-higher-education/>]

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. For further details go to:
www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance [<http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance>]

You may also be eligible for a Maintenance Loan. See the Government website

[<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance>] for up-to-date details.

Students with children or dependant adults may qualify for a Childcare Grant or Adult Dependants' 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.

Apply online at www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance [<http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance>]

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>]

Additional Learning Support

Our Additional Learning Support team can provide you with the support you need. Please contact them on +44 (0)1226 216 769.

English and Maths

Having good English and Maths qualifications are important for most careers and we want to give you the help you need to succeed.

If you are aged 16 – 19 and don't already have a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths they will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards higher grades in English and Maths we can help you do that too.

Need a higher level Maths qualification? We offer a [Level 3 Mathematical Studies \(Core Maths\)](#).

This can be added to your study programme.

If you need any further information, please contact our friendly [Information Team](#).

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