



Course Details		BTEC Level 3 Nationals in Forensic and Criminal Investigation
Exam Board		Edexcel / Pearson
Syllabus title		BTEC Level 3 Nationals in Forensic and Criminal Investigation
Course Code		(603/0251/3) <a href="http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-nationals/forensics-and-criminal-investigation-2017.html#tab-0">http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-nationals/forensics-and-criminal-investigation-2017.html#tab-0</a>
Course Content		<b>Mandatory Units:</b> 1 Principles and Applications of Science I 2 Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques 3 Science Investigation Skills 4 Forensic Investigation Procedures in Practice <b>Optional Units: (we will select 2 of the following):</b> 8 Physiology of Human Body Systems 9 Environmental Forensics 10 Forensic Fire Investigation 11 Forensic Traffic Collision Investigation 12 Forensic Photography 13 Forensic Genetics
Assessment and weighting		Units 1 & 3 externally assessed by exams & set tasks All other units internally assessed using student assignments
Trips/visits		Ad hoc local trips if suitable opportunities arise
Future opportunities/ career		These qualifications are for post-16 learners who want to continue their education through applied learning. The qualifications prepare learners for a range of higher education courses and job roles related to the scientific sector and to other sectors such as a range of public services. They provide progression either by meeting entry requirements in their own right or by being accepted alongside other qualifications at the same level and adding value to them.
Links with Other Subjects		This qualification would be a good fit for candidates who are also taking other BTECS and/or who are taking A-levels in subjects such as Biology, Chemistry, Geography, Mathematics, Psychology, Physical Education, Physics



Person Specification		BTEC Level 3 Nationals in Forensic and Criminal Investigation	
		<b>Required</b>	
Qualifications/ School record		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GCSE Grade 4 or better in GCSE Combined Science; Trilogy <b>OR</b> (GCSE Biology AND GCSE Chemistry AND GCSE Physics)</li> <li>GCSE grade 4 or better in English</li> <li>GCSE grade 4 or better in Mathematics</li> <li>95% or better attendance in year 11</li> <li>ATL in sciences never less than 2 (good) during KS4</li> </ul>	
Attitude/Qualities		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hard working &amp; organised</li> <li>Positive &amp; enthusiastic</li> <li>An interest in science and scientific issues</li> <li>An interest in practical work and the process of scientific enquiry</li> </ul>	
Skills		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Safe handling of laboratory equipment and chemicals</li> <li>Handling data and plotting graphs and charts</li> <li>Competence in general arithmetic</li> <li>Learning and using specialist vocabulary</li> <li>Working as part of a small team</li> </ul>	
Experience		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> </ul>	
		<b>Desirable:</b>	
Qualifications/ School record		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GCSE Grade 5 or better in any GCSE Science course</li> <li>GCSE grade 5 or better in English</li> <li>GCSE grade 5 or better in Mathematics</li> </ul>	
Skills		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General skills in ICT for word-processing and making presentations</li> </ul>	
Experience		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None required</li> </ul>	