



Protective Services

BTEC Levels 2 & 3



BTEC Levels 2 and 3 in Protective Services

This course covers a wide range of topics and is particularly suitable for those studying in preparation for employment in the Public Sector, particularly in job roles where they will be expected to use physical fitness skills, research skills or carry out customer-facing operational roles.

This year we have students on the course who want a career in the army, the police, the fire service, the ambulance service, the military police and teaching. The course offers skills for working in the public sector but also transferable skills for any type of employment. It is not only suitable for students who are considering a police or military career but also students interested in developing, maintaining and protecting our society.

You will learn by providing evidence gathered from realistic workplace scenarios and activities. You will gain experience through a wide range of tasks, visiting speakers and visits. This qualification is also suitable for those wishing to gain a Level 3 qualification to support further study in FE and HE with many students going on to University study.

Courses Available

Level 3 : BTEC Nationals: single option equivalent to 1 'A' Level

Level 2 : BTEC First Award



Visits and Speakers

There are lots of trips including optional longer stays in places such as New York. There are some compulsory trips and students will need to make a payment for each trip to cover the cost. This year some of the trips arranged are a tour of the Houses of Parliament, a team-building exercise constructing rafts at Cuckmere Haven and a trip to Action Stations in Portsmouth (Royal Navy). We also have a wide range of speakers coming in to talk about career options and the structure of the services.

Entry Requirements

See the current prospectus but as a guideline:

Level 3: 5 GCSEs (including English) at grade 4 or above or a Merit at Level 2

Level 2: 5 GCSEs (including English) at grade 3 or above. At least one GCSE should be at grade 4 or above.

Level 3 Topics covered

The course investigates a range of Public Services and we will study:

- Behaviour & Discipline
- Leadership and Team Working
- Outdoor Activities
- Professional development in the Public Services

In the second year we will talk to Protective Service workers to investigate their roles and get a better idea about these careers. These are chosen depending on the career aspirations of the students.

BOTH THE LEVEL 2 AND LEVEL 3 COURSES ARE MAINLY COURSEWORK BUT NOW INCLUDE AN EXAM UNIT.

