

Options with a degree in Criminology

What skills will you develop?

Criminology graduates are able to:

- demonstrate an understanding of the social and personal aspects of crime, victimisation and responses to crime and deviance
- display a familiarity with the justice system
- generate and evaluate evidence of diverse kinds and draw appropriate conclusions
- think critically and make reasoned arguments and ethical judgments
- analyse and interpret data
- write reports
- be self-reliant and work with initiative, managing time and workloads effectively
- work well within a multi-disciplinary team
- deal with difficult situations, problem solve and make decisions
- present ideas and arguments verbally and in writing; and either formally or informally

These are just a sample of jobs where a Criminology degree would be a useful background or relevant first step prior to further training or study.

- Adult guidance worker
- Charity officer
- Community development worker
- Crime scene investigator
- Detective
- Housing manager/officer
- Local government officer
- Paralegal
- Police officer
- Prison officer
- Probation officer
- Social researcher
- Social worker
- Higher education lecturer
- Solicitor
- Youth worker

What other career options are there?

Many employers seek graduates with a good degree (usually a 2.2 or higher), and over 80% of employers don't have a preference for the subject studied. These are some of the areas you could also consider. Some of these will involve further study or training:

- Accountancy
- Advertising
- Banking
- Charity and voluntary work
- Civil Service
- Events management
- Finance
- Hospitality
- HR
- Insurance
- Local government
- Marketing
- Politics
- Public Relations
- Recruitment
- Sales and retail
- Tourism

For more information about different sectors and job roles, including career planning tools, the following websites are helpful:

[Prospects](#)

[National Careers Service](#)

[TargetJobs](#)

[AllAboutCareers](#)

What help is available from the University of Cumbria?

The Careers and Employability Service can support you with your career planning throughout your time at university, and for up to three years after you graduate. During this time, you can access our career hub, [My Career Enriched](#), which enables you to:

- search for graduate jobs, part-time work, work experience, placements and paid internships
- book one-to-one advice and guidance appointments
- book a practice interview
- book onto employability events
- CV/application review service

We also offer practical workshops on a range of employability topics, as well as advice and information about further study.

Students with a disability or health condition can request information and advice on finding disability confident employers, how to declare a disability, applying for work, and requesting adjustments in the recruitment process.

Access our range of careers information and resources on My.Cumbria.ac.uk

Other useful sources of advice

[College of Policing](#)

[UNISON](#)

[Cumbria and Lancashire Probation Service](#)

[Think Ahead](#)

[Law conversion courses](#)

[Targetpostgrad](#)

[FindAMasters](#)

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