

GETTING AHEAD



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Start to develop skills that are relevant to your course before you join HSDC this September!

Forensic Science and Criminal Investigation

Introduction to Applications of Criminal and Forensic Psychology

There are many different explanations commonly offered to account for criminal and anti-social behaviour. Forensic psychologists work in different ways in the criminal justice system (CJS) and you will develop your understanding of selected aspects of this work. Offender profiling supports the police in solving crime by identifying potential suspects. You will explore ways in which offenders are profiled and you will develop knowledge about how to profile potential suspects based on crime-scene evidence.

Activity – John Duffy ‘The Railway Rapist’ Profiling

You need to create a poster in which you give an informed insight into the UK’s first success story using investigative psychology (UK approach to offender profiling).

INCLUDE DETAIL ON...

What happened? Who were the victims? Location? Developments in nature of the act? When did this happen? Evidence (crime scene and victims). What can you tell from these details?

Next... Answer the questions below...

- Who is David Canter and what is his contribution to the UK approach?
- How was the investigation looking before Canter gave a profile?
- What did Canter say? – Main points of Canter’s profile
- How well did Canter’s profile match to Duffy? – Main points of Canter’s profile vs actual characteristics of Duffy
- Strengths and weaknesses of profiling overall – you will be able to find a table online that will give you some extra ideas

We look forward to seeing you in September!

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Read

Crime and Investigation, John Duffy and David Mulcahy: The Railway Rapists
<https://www.crimeandinvestigation.co.uk/article/john-duffy-and-david-mulcahy-the-railway-rapists>

Psych Yogi, Canter – John Duffy Case Study 'The Railway Rapist'
<http://psychyogi.org/canter-john-duffy-case-study-the-railway-rapist/>

Watch

Born To Kill: John Duffy & David Mulcahy
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CjMpmj8VnV0>

Did You Know?

This unit places an emphasis on forensic psychology in a vocational setting and gives you the opportunity to develop your understanding of the work of a forensic psychologist. This will be useful as a basis for further study in fields such as psychology, forensic psychology, criminology and criminal justice in higher education. This unit will also help you to progress to employment in different roles in the CJS, or to a career working directly with people in education, social care, youth work and counselling.

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