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PUBLIC SERVICES & CRIMINOLOGY





About us

Are you looking for an exciting, fast-paced career, where no two days are ever the same and you head home knowing you've made a real difference to people's lives? A career in public services or criminology could be just what you're looking for.

From police officers and soldiers to fire fighters and forensic investigators, there are so many roles open to you, and our courses can get you started on your journey into any of these exciting careers.

We'll teach you the knowledge and skills you'll need to pass entrance exams or progress to further study, and help you to develop the strength, stamina and tenacity you'll need to impress recruiters.

Whichever career path you take, you'll learn from dedicated public service and criminology tutors who have years of teaching and industry experience. You'll also have access to fully equipped gyms and fitness testing equipment to help you improve your strength, fitness and capability.

We believe real-world experience is crucial. So, you'll benefit from regular visits and demonstrations from the fire service, army, cadets and border force, as well as taking part in hands-on activities. You'll also have the opportunity to undertake work experience or a work placement in the industry as part of your qualification.

So, if you want to make your mark on the world, give yourself a head start by beginning your journey at The Manchester College.

We passionately believe in helping you reach your ultimate goal, focusing on your future employability and developing the skills you need to have a successful career.

If you're aged 16-18, our Centre of Excellence for Public Services and Criminology is set up to help you do just that!

You'll get the opportunity to focus on your future employability and develop the skills you need for a successful career.

Study Programme

You'll join our Centre of Excellence when you enrol on any of our courses – whether you're studying at Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3.

If you haven't already obtained Grade 4 GCSEs in English and maths, you'll study to achieve them alongside your course. This is a mandatory requirement of your course and essential for so many careers.

Once you complete your journey in our Centre of Excellence for Public Services and Criminology, you'll have all the skills you need to be 'work ready' and the qualifications you need to take the next steps towards an amazing career.



Employability

To prepare you for your future career, you'll take part in a range of 'employability' activities. These will give you a greater insight into the careers open to you, and equip you with the knowledge and skills you'll need to enter the workplace.

Employability Sessions

You'll be assigned an Employability Tutor and will take part in dedicated 'employability' sessions, which will help equip you with the skills you'll need to thrive in the workplace.

Work Experience Placement

You'll spend between 6 and 35 hours gaining vital work experience in your chosen sector. You'll assist with day-to-day tasks and shadow staff to develop your skills and broaden your knowledge of the industry. In the past, students have undertaken placements with the police and gained customer service skills by working in charity shops, retail and call centres.

Industry Placement

You may be able to apply for an industry placement, which will give you more than 315 hours of experience with a leading employer.

A placement gives you in-depth knowledge of the industry, allows you to gain hands-on experience and gives you an insight into career pathways. With a placement, you're taking that all important first step onto the ladder; many of our students even go on to gain paid employment with their industry placement employer at the end of the year.

Work Related Activity

You'll learn more about the industry by hearing directly from the experts, visiting locations you could be working in and undertaking a diverse range of activities. By joining us you could take part in:

- Boot camps with the army and cadets, where you can test your fitness and prepare for a role in the armed forces
- Simulations and careers talks with Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service, including the opportunity to experience what it's like to be cut out of a car in an emergency situation, the chance to see just how dangerous it is to drive under the influence and much more
- Talks and activities with the police, border force and other employers in the industry, to hear first-hand accounts of what it's like working on the front line
- Residentials away from college, with lots of physical activities and outdoor pursuits.

Courses

Our range of courses cover everything you need to start a successful career in the police, fire service, armed services and other public sectors. Whether you're getting ready to pass the recruitment and selection process or you're just starting on your journey, we're here to support you every step of the way.

Level 1 | Public Services

Openshaw | One Year

If you've always wanted to work in the police, fire service or armed services, this Level 1 Diploma is a great place to get started on your journey. Discipline is crucial in these fields, so you'll be measured against the professional standards that you'll be expected to meet when you start your career. For example, taking part in a range of drills and activities, being punctual, reliable and great team player.

It's also vital that you have the strength and stamina to cope out in the field, so exercise plays a key role in this course.

You'll start to prepare yourself physically for the rigorous recruitment and selection process while developing those all-important personal attributes, such as perseverance, courage and respect. You'll also build your awareness of law, citizenship, UK government and policy to build the foundations for further study.

Level 2 | Public Services

Openshaw | One Year

Our Level 2 Diploma will see you building on the foundations you learned at Level 1 and taking part in similar drills and routines.

You'll also be going out on expeditions and continuing to build your strength and fitness, both in the gym and through water and land-based activities at outdoor pursuit centres.

In short, you'll be building the skillsets you'll rely on throughout your career, while exploring in detail all the different types of career paths and employment opportunities open to you.

Level 3 | Public Services

Openshaw | Two Years

Our Level 3 course will help you to gain the confidence and ability to pass the recruitment and selection process for your chosen public service role and find success in your new career.

You'll gain an in-depth understanding of a wide range of areas, including government policies, citizenship and legal systems. You'll also continue to improve your physical fitness by taking part in regular fitness tests. And you'll build your leadership skills and learn what it means to rely on your team mates when it matters most.

All of the above will be put to the test when you take part in re-enactments of major emergency incidents and learn how to operate a command and control centre.

Level 3 | Criminology and Policing

Openshaw | Two Years

If you want a challenging, investigative career in the police force or criminal justice sector, this Level 3 Criminology and Policing qualification can help you to get there.

You'll learn about the real CSI processes that don't make it into the TV programmes and cover a diverse range of topics, from law, psychology and sociology, to criminal justice and criminological theories. We'll give you a greater understanding of the full criminal process, from crime scene to court room. And, while you're honing your skills in this fascinating area, you'll also be strengthening your leadership skills ready for the workplace.



SUPPORTED LEARNING

Promoting independence
through accessibility and
inclusion

Have you received learning support in the past? Do you have an Education, Health and Care Plan or an identified Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND) need? Our Supported Learning team can help students with SEND to achieve their aspirational career goals.

We provide a highly personalised offer for students to create a supportive learning environment for all. Whatever course you choose to study, our provision is specifically designed to support you on your journey to independence and into further education or employment.

Find out more about how we can help you:
tmc.ac.uk/supported-learning



We'll help you Accelerate2industry

As soon as you enrol on a Public Services and Criminology course, we'll start talking to you about the opportunities that could be open to you in the future. To guide you through the process and help you achieve your aspirational career goals, we've teamed up with our higher education partner, UCEN Manchester, on an exciting initiative.



Ultimately, the aim of Accelerate2Industry is to help you progress into either, higher study, higher education with UCEN Manchester, or your chosen career.

The initiative runs throughout the academic year and there are three distinct phases:

Step 1 - Plan >>>

Find out the options available to you at the end of your study programme.

Step 2 - Pass >>>

Your tutors will speak to you about what you're planning on doing next year and support you to secure the grades you need to move on to the next phase of your journey.

Step 3 - Progress >>>

Your tutors will ensure you have all of the information and support you need to re-join us in September or progress on to university, employment or an apprenticeship.

Progressors Award >>>

Do you want to study with a higher education provider that offers something a little bit different and delivers courses that are career focussed and lead you straight into employment? If so, our Progressors Award is just for you.

The award is open to all Level 3 students at The Manchester College that upon completion of their course enrol onto a higher education course at UCEN Manchester. The Progressors Award is currently £200. Please check the amount, eligibility, and terms and conditions ahead of making your progressors application to UCEN Manchester during your final year of Level 3 study.

DEGREE LEVEL

Once you've completed one of our Level 3 Diplomas as part of our Centre of Excellence, you'll have the opportunity to progress onto our professional or degree level qualifications at UCEN Manchester's School of Business and Law.

Study Criminology and Criminal Justice

You'll cover a range of topics, including:

- Politics, Community, Crime and Justice
- Criminal Law, Theory and Practice
- Youth Crime and Deviance in Modern Society.



For more information or to apply
visit ucenmanchester.ac.uk

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My tutors have been incredible and are able to offer a unique perspective on things, they have a great understanding of what we're all going through.

The transition from The Manchester College to UCEN Manchester was really easy and straightforward. I weighed up all my options before coming here but was reassured by the one-to-one support on offer and the small class sizes

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*Ben Goldsmith,
FdA Criminology and Criminal Justice*

Careers



Police Officer
Starting salary: £19,000
Salary with experience: £41,000

As a police officer, you would protect people, prevent crime and ensure the law is upheld. You'd also be a reassuring presence, helping to reduce fear and advising communities on crime prevention. You'll need to be courageous, fair and level-headed, with a desire to give something back to your community. In return, you'll enjoy a fulfilling, exciting career, with plenty of room for progression.



Probation Officer
Starting salary: £22,000
Salary with experience: £40,000

As a probation officer, you would work with offenders to help them change their attitudes and behaviour and avoid further offences. You might also work with dangerous offenders to reduce their risk to the public. In short, you could help to prevent crime in your community. You may also be asked to provide pre-sentence reports to the courts, advising on what sort of sentence should be passed.



Fire Service Officer
Starting salary: £24,000
Salary with experience: £32,000

Fire fighters, also known as fire service officers, don't just tackle major blazes and serious emergencies; they also help to prevent them in the first place by educating people about safety. As well as fires, you might be called on to help with other emergencies, such as floods, chemical leaks and major accidents.



Forensic Psychologist
Starting salary: £27,000
Salary with experience: £37,000

Forensic psychologists work with prisoners and offenders as well as victims of crime and other professionals involved in the judicial and penal systems. You'll help to give evidence in court and advise parole boards and mental health tribunals, while you'll also work to help rehabilitate prisoners and support victims of crime.



Meet the team

Not only are they experts in their field, our tutors are also skilled at sharing their expertise and knowledge with their students. They have years of experience in teaching, researching and working in public services or criminology. Why would you settle for anything less?



Hayley Francis
Director of Curriculum

Hayley is the Director of Curriculum for Sport, Public Services and Care Professions. Hayley has been working at The Manchester College for 10 years.

She has helped to grow the department over the years and driven the quality of provision through ensuring our course offer meets the needs of the industries, by leading her experienced team to excellence in teaching, supporting learners to achieve their ambitions and working closely with industry employers.



Stuart Nickson
Head of Department

Stuart began his professional coaching career with Bury Football Academy and later moved to Rochdale AFC working with their under 15/16s teams. More recently, Stuart has worked with Premier League clubs such as Everton, Manchester City and Manchester United. He's been at The Manchester College for over ten years and is Head of Department for Sport and Public Services and Criminology.



Holly Hawkes
Tutor

Holly is a tutor on our Level 3 Criminology and Policing course.

She enjoys combining her academic experience in criminology with her experience in the creative arts industry, to create a diverse and creative environment in her classes.

A member of the British Society of Criminology, Holly has a particular interest in the sociological aspects of criminology, which is a major focus of her teaching. She also specialised in both substance abuse and gender studies at postgraduate level, so enjoys sharing her knowledge in these areas.



Frank Harrison
Tutor

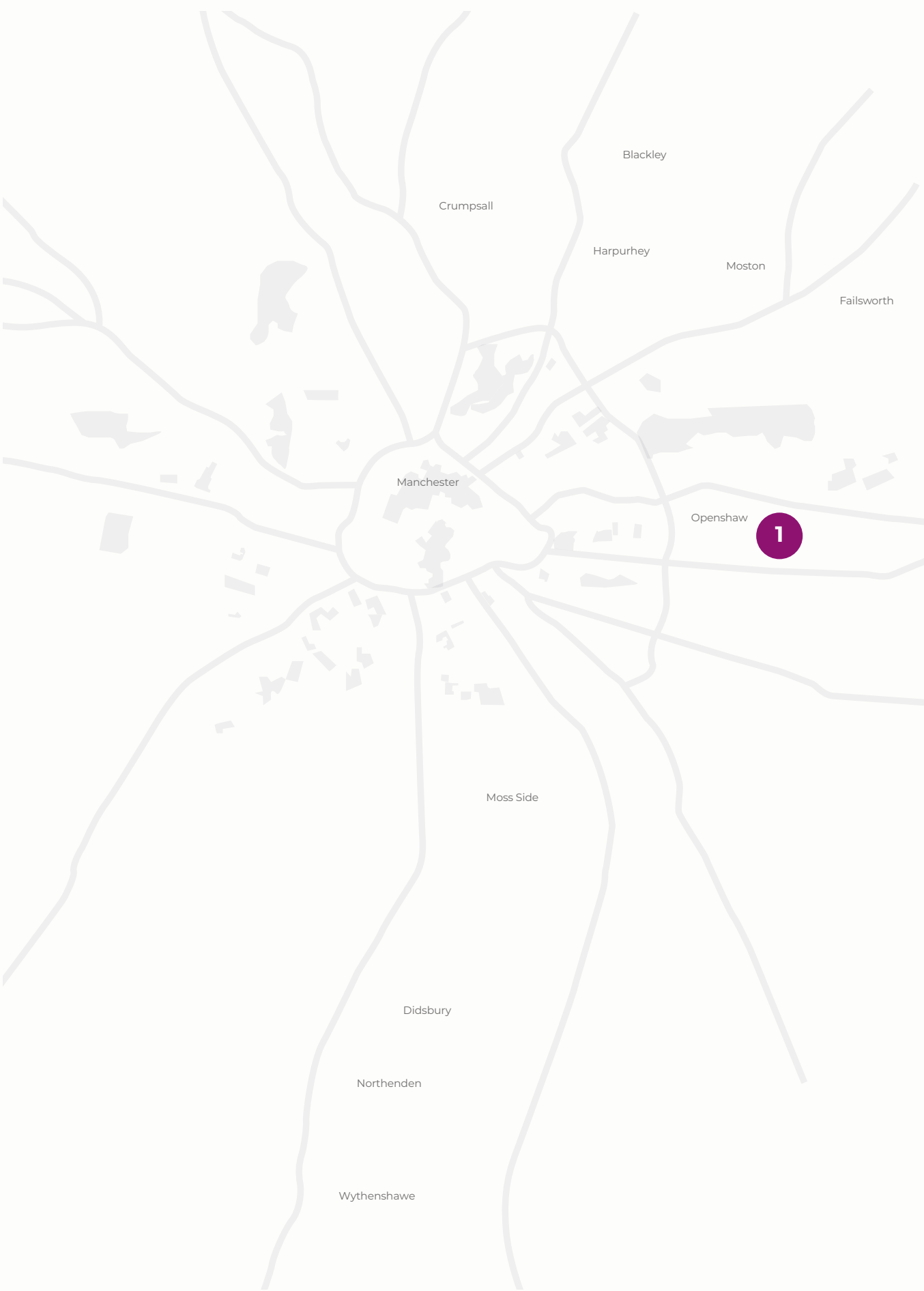
Whilst pursuing a professional football career Frank also studied to qualify as a Physical Education teacher and completed a MSc in Exercise and Nutrition Science. Since then he has taught at Further Education colleges in and around Manchester. He has been at The Manchester College for over 10 years now and is currently the course leader on the Level 2 Uniformed Services course.

Our location

You'll be advancing towards your new career in our Openshaw campus, which has recently benefitted from a £25m investment to upgrade its facilities.

You have to be fit to succeed in most public service roles, so you'll have access to extensive sports and leisure facilities including state-of-the-art, fully equipped gyms, where you can push yourself on resistance and cardiovascular machines. Plus, you'll be able to see how much you're improving using our wide range of high-tech testing equipment.

In many public service roles, you'll spend a lot of time outside, so we've designed outdoor practical areas to help you master military style fitness tests, drills, and routines.



1 Openshaw Campus
Ashton Old Road, Openshaw, M11 2WH



What our students say

“I came to The Manchester College because it had the right course that would help me to join the uniformed services. It was also far enough away from home to get the independence I wanted but close enough to travel every day. Everyone is really nice and I’ve met some great new friends. The Manchester College is a great place to learn. The people are very welcoming and they offer a range of different courses that will help you in the career you choose to do. I’m still unsure on my long-term career aspirations but dog handling in the Police or the Army has always been my dream. I love to work with animals so going out with them, training them and looking after them will make me happy.”

Jessica Thompson, Level 3 Public Services

“I spoke to my tutor, Holly, when I came to the open day. She was so lovely and it was a nice environment, so I thought: ‘here is where I want to go’. I have loved my course and I’ve had a great support system during my time here. I never once felt uncomfortable talking to a tutor or getting involved in a class. I actually recommended the College to my friend, who ended up enrolling!”

Morgan Hunston, Level 3 Public Services



How to apply

Applying to study at The Manchester College is really easy. Just follow these steps and you will be on your journey to amazing in no time.



Step 1

Visit **tmc.ac.uk**



Step 2

Choose a course, apply at an open event, online or mobile



Step 3

Receive a conditional offer



Step 4

Book to attend an interview



Step 5

Register to attend our New Student Welcome Day in July (16-18 only)



Step 6

We will invite you to enrol in September after you receive your results (if applicable)

What's Next?

Find out more and apply

To find out more about Public Services and Criminology at The Manchester College and to apply scan the QR code or visit: **tmc.ac.uk/public-services**



Visit us

Join us at one of our open events throughout the year to learn more about our courses, tour our facilities, speak to our tutors and much more. To find out when our next Open Event is taking place and to register your place visit: **tmc.ac.uk/events**

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