

Criminology and Sociology

2024 undergraduate courses



Help the vulnerable and uphold justice

There are many areas of work that help individuals and communities to alleviate social deprivation. You can have a rewarding career that shapes the lives of those in need of support.

In criminal justice, you could go into a fascinating career in the prisons and court service, policing and investigation, or even the social service, to work with offenders and young people.

If you're looking for a truly meaningful career – helping, understanding or protecting people – then our social work, criminology and sociology courses provide all the tools you need.

Why Solent?

- Guest lectures delivered by key practitioners who work within the police, the probation service, cybersecurity and the military.
- You'll complete significant periods of work experience in either local authorities or voluntary, private and independent organisations in the region.
- Our accredited BA (Hons) Social Work was in the top three for University of the Year at the Social Worker of the Year Awards 2022.
- Taught by experts with extensive links with local and national employers, such as Hampshire Constabulary, the National Probation Service, the National Crime Agency and various international organisations.
- Our teaching is informed by the latest research, inspiring you to create new knowledge and develop your curiosity further, through one of our postgraduate courses or a PhD.

Course list

Course	UCAS tariff points	Foundation Year available	URL and UCAS code
BSc (Hons) Criminal Investigation with Psychology	112-128	Υ	www.solent.ac.uk/CIN1
BA (Hons) Criminology	112-128	Υ	www.solent.ac.uk/M930
BSc (Hons) Criminology and Psychology	112-128	Υ	www.solent.ac.uk/CAP1
BA (Hons) Criminology and Sociology	112-128	Υ	www.solent.ac.uk/CAS1
BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology	112-128	Υ	www.solent.ac.uk/PAS1
BA (Hons) Social Work	112-128	Υ	www.solent.ac.uk/L501
BA (Hons) Sociology	112-128	Υ	www.solent.ac.uk/S001
Social Sciences Foundation Year	48	N/A	www.solent.ac.uk/social- sciences-foundation-year

Facilities

A cutting-edge campus

The Spark Building

The Spark, our award-winning teaching and learning building, is the proud centrepiece of our campus – and everything about it is centred around you and your learning. Our lecture theatres include at-seat charging sockets for laptops and tablets, while the latest lecture-capture technology uploads to our virtual learning environment.

Ultra-modern Sports Complex

Our £28 million sports complex has a huge range of sport and physical activity facilities – with flexible, affordable gym memberships – that can be used by all Solent students, with dedicated teaching spaces for those on our sport-focused courses.

Library

Our library features a fully networked resource centre equipped with high-end Macs and PCs, and an extensive selection of both open-plan and private group working spaces. Solent's library offers access to over 150,000 books in print and online, and over 33,000 e-journals, to support your studies.

Specialist facilities

We provide a stimulating learning environment and access to state-of-the-art resources to help you make the most of your time with us.

Professional-quality equipment – psycho-physiological recording, eye-tracking and experimental cubicles.

Portable crime scene and mock courtroom for use during investigating crime scene and forensic evidence modules (criminology).

Our purpose-built Solent Courtroom gives you to opportunity to practise your skills and knowledge in a realistic setting.



Visit individual course pages at www.solent.ac.uk/courses for specific facilities available for your chosen degree.





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Social Worker, Southampton City Council

BA (Hons) Social Work, 2017

How did university prepare you for your career?

Solent University prepared me for my career in social work by teaching me about legislation, social work theories and methods, and interpersonal skills that would underpin my practice. The social work lecturers were always available to offer support and to impart their knowledge and experience to draw the best out of me.

Tell us a little about your career story so far.

As my third-year placement was coming to an end, I was asked by a senior practitioner from a different department if I would like to work for them on a three-month contract. After two

weeks, I was called into the office and told that they were not going to renew my contract as the learning disabilities team had requested that I work with them, carrying out Care Act assessments – I happily accepted the position.

After a month of working with them, a permanent post came up and I was asked to apply. I got the job and began working with them full-time before I even graduated.

What tips would you give to someone wanting a career in your industry?

You will need to develop your emotional resilience as situations can become quite challenging, so you need to have strategies in place to maintain your own health and wellbeing. Take full advantage of any training and supervision to help with your continuing professional development and reflect on your practice. I'd also recommend you ask if you don't know something, don't feel embarrassed if you don't know what to do.

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