

# EDUCATION EVOLVED

## Protective Services

### How many hours a week will I have in class?

If you are studying the Diploma you will be in class for 9 hours a week which is broken down into 1 1/2 hour sessions. If you are studying the Extended Certificate you will have 4 1/2 hours per week in the classroom, again broken down into 1 1/2 sessions

### How long and when are the exams?

Each exam is 90 minutes long and take place in January and May. If you do not pass or gain a low grade in the January exam there is a possibility that you can resit in the May

### What types of courses can I do at University with this qualification?

A lot of students that have studied the Protective Services and previously the Public Services courses go on to university to do a wide range of course including, nursing, paramedic science, criminology, law, emergency incident management, police studies and criminal justice. Also some of the students will look at degree apprenticeships, which are now becoming more popular and the Police Service and Ambulance Service are beginning to introduce these now. Also all the military services have their own apprenticeship schemes which means students with lower grades in the studies can still join the military services and progress up through the ranks.

### What type of support can I get before my coursework is due, as I've never studied BTEC before?

Your teacher will go through in lesson all the information you require to achieve the highest grade on your coursework as well as you do in class and individual research and preparation. You will be able to complete practice answers to questions and this will give you a good basis for completing all assessments on time and to the highest standard.

### What are the class sizes for this course?

As the Protective Services course is very popular classes sizes can be high at the beginning of the course. However, we make all effort to keep the groups to no more than 24 students per class. This allows for outdoor activities to take place in the safest manner possible

### Will we be just listening to a teacher talk? What will I be doing in lessons?

There will be times when you will have to listen to the teacher, or guest speaker, and take notes to help with your assessments. However, you will also be doing group and individual research and activities and when visits and trips re-start you will be getting involved with both military services and blue light services.