

Uniformed Public Services



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Subject Area	Uniformed Public Services
Course Type	School Leavers
Study Level	Level 3
Delivery Mode	Full-time
Duration	2 Academic Years
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Course Code	PA000154

Course Summary

Ready for duty? Train for a future career in the Protective Services!

On this course you'll develop essential skills for protective services through a mix of classroom learning and hands-on experience. This includes self-defence training, crime scene investigation, security procedures, and adventurous land and water activities. You'll also explore mental health and wellbeing, sports coaching, speed and parking awareness training, and work closely with the police.

This course is part of Bradford College's exclusive Ambition [HUB], a Level 3 stretch and challenge for selected students. Alongside your main course, you'll join employer-led masterclasses, work on an industry project, and gain 160 hours of work experience, giving you a competitive career edge.

Why choose this course?

- Hands-On Learning – Get a mix of classroom learning and practical, outdoor experiences, including military training skills, shelter building, and more.

- Supportive Teaching Team – Learn from experts with a mix of backgrounds including military, sports, and senior police experience.
- Outstanding Facilities – You will have access to free health and fitness facilities.

This course is perfect for you if:

- You have a strong interest in a career within the Uniformed Protective Services, such as the Police, Fire Service, Ambulance, Armed Forces, or Prison Service.
- You enjoy physical challenges, teamwork, and problem-solving.
- You want to boost your confidence, leadership, and communication skills.

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Apply now and take the first step towards a rewarding career in the Uniformed Public Services.

What You Will Learn

Skills you'll develop:

- Confidence and Assertiveness: Learn to express yourself clearly and stand up for what's right.
- Communication Skills: Improve both your written and verbal communication.
- Leadership and Coaching: Develop the skills to guide and motivate others.
- Teamwork and Independence: Work effectively as part of a team and on your own.
- Time Management: Learn how to stay organised and meet deadlines.
- Self-Discipline: Build the focus and commitment needed for success.
- Presentation Skills: Gain confidence in speaking and presenting ideas.
- Personal Appearance: Understand the importance of professional presentation.
- Transferable Skills: Prepare for any career by learning adaptable skills for the future.

Modules

Core modules:

Year 1

- Prepare for a Career in a Chosen Uniformed Service
- Develop Aspects of Physical Fitness for Entry to the Uniformed Services

- Develop Leadership Skills
- Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion
- Mental and Physical Wellbeing
- Skills for Water-Based Outdoor and Adventurous Activities

Year 2

- Understand Conflict Management and Personal Protection
- Emergency Planning and Response in the Uniformed Services
- Sports Coaching
- Skills for Land-Based Outdoor and Adventurous Activities
- Crime Scene Investigation
- Security Procedures in the Uniformed Services

Pre-Entry Phase Training Programme

As you start your studies, you'll have the chance to join our Pre-Entry Phase Training Programme alongside the Uniformed Services course. This extra training gives you a mix of classroom learning and hands-on experience.

You'll build skills in military fieldwork, problem-solving, communication, and bushcraft – all designed to prepare you for a career in the uniformed services.

You'll also learn basic tactics and resilience techniques to help you handle real-life situations. This programme will boost your confidence, strengthen your skills, and set you on the path to success in the uniformed services.

Entry Requirements

Entry requirements of a grade 4 in GCSE English Language and grade 3 in GCSE Maths.

Work Experience

Hands-on training for your future career!

On this course must complete 160 hours work experience, where you'll dive into the world of work and gain the skills employers are looking for. You will:

- Get hands-on and work on real projects
- Boost your confidence and learn how to plan tasks, meet deadlines, and make smart decisions.

- Collaborate with professionals and see how great ideas come to life when people work together.
- Understand how to maintain a safe and productive work environment.
- Be part of a workplace that values diversity and promotes equality.

With this, you'll have hands-on experience to showcase on your CV, demonstrating your industry skills to employers.

Day visits, guest speakers / workshops and residentials with the Uniformed Services are all included within this timeframe and your tutors and our work placement officers will arrange these for you.

Progression

After completing this course, you'll be ready to pursue:

- Higher Apprenticeships in areas like Policing, Fire and Rescue, Paramedics, or the Armed Forces.
- University Degrees in subjects such as Criminology, Policing, Public Services, Emergency Planning, or Law.
- Roles such as Police Officer, Firefighter, Paramedic, Prison Officer, Customs Officer, or a member of the Armed Forces (Army, Navy, RAF, or Royal Marines).

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