

**Criminology transition work**

**KS5 courses are a step up from the way you have worked at GCSE. These tasks are designed to help you prepare you for this way of working.**

**The social sciences share a common approach to study. They require you to demonstrate your knowledge and understanding of topics, to apply what you have learned to novel situations and to analyse, evaluate and justify. You will work with a wide variety of quantitative and qualitative data.**

**Task 1: Use South Cambridgeshire | Police.uk (www.police.uk) to help you to write a report (minimum 1000 words) to analyse crime in Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire.**

Your plan must include figures such as graphs, maps, diagrams and tables. You should give these figure numbers and titles and refer to them in your text.

You could consider the following:

* What types of crime have been committed?
* Have there been any changes in the level of crime over time?
* Are there any changes in the level of crime over the course of a year?
* How is crime distributed across space?

**Task 2: Create and justify a plan for Cambridgeshire Constabulary to reduce crime in Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire.**

You could consider the following:

* Which crimes need to be prioritised? Why?
* Are there any specific areas that need to be focused on? Why?
* What techniques could be used to help the police to reduce crime? Why?
* Why is your plan appropriate?

**Links to other social science subjects**

If you will be studying other social science subjects, you should explore the following links in your report and plan.

**Economics**

* Consider the opportunity cost of prioritising crimes in Task 2.

**Geography**

* Consider the spatial distribution of crimes, including hotspots, in Task 1.
* Consider where you would locate CCTV cameras in Task 2.

**Law**

* Consider how the proposed changes to the Vagrancy Act might affect the distribution of crime in Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire.

**Psychology**

* Consider the psychological effects of surveillance in Task 2.

**Sociology**

* Consider how the rational approach of right realism could apply in Task 2.