Within the Department of Social Sciences we strive to provide our students with a supportive and friendly environment in which they can thrive. We want all of our students to advance into the working world as strong and independent individuals across a broad spectrum of industries both in the public and private sector.

As an undergraduate in Social Sciences you will have the opportunity to be taught by the very best. Our award-winning Department houses teaching staff who are recognised for their world-leading research, developing course content to be at the cutting-edge of social sciences advancement.

Not only will you benefit from the expertise of our teaching staff in an exciting study environment, but we endeavour to offer opportunities outside of your academic work. By offering a variety of extra opportunities, we aim to provide you with a number of valuable experiences, enhancing your skills and understanding of the course.

We are proud that 91% of our 2011 graduates are in employment or further study, six months after graduating. Some of these graduates have gone on to careers in PR, Marketing, Civil Service, Finance, Law and National Health Service to name but a few. Others are pursuing careers in research or furthering their study through our Masters courses.

As well as our award-winning research influencing our teaching, we also have strong industry links with the likes of NSPCC, BBC and the Department of Health. These can, at times, provide us with coursework projects and guest speakers preparing you for seamless entry into your chosen career.

Joining us at Loughborough not only provides you with excellent teaching, in an inspirational environment, but also offers you outstanding opportunities to prepare for your future, making you stand out in whatever profession you choose.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Professor David Deacon
Head of Department
Department of Social Sciences
YOUR JOURNEY STARTS HERE

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At the Centre of it All

Based in the heart of the rolling English countryside, but with easy access to the rest of the UK, Loughborough University welcomes students from all over the world. The University enjoys a well-established reputation for world-class research, innovative teaching and inspiring and industry relevance. Our great all-round student experience develops well-rounded graduates. Indeed, our graduates are so highly regarded by a wide range of employers that in the 2013 Graduate Market Review (High Fliers) Loughborough was listed as the 13th most targeted university by recruiters. Our degree courses seek to develop presentation and team working skills as well as creative problem solving abilities – skills sought by employers. With the Careers and Employability Centre helping you plan your career, our careers fairs and drop-in sessions could put your CV in the hands of your future employer.

For further details visit: www.lboro.ac.uk/careers

Home from Home

Almost 6,000 of our students live in University halls of residence on (or very close to) campus and we offer the widest range of accommodation to suit all budgets and catering preferences. Undergraduates who confirm Loughborough as their home from home have the security of knowing that they are guaranteed a place in our halls. For further information: www.lboro.ac.uk/accommodation

Loughborough Life

The town itself is a thriving market town that offers you the convenience of shopping, dining, entertainment, nightlife and amenities on your doorstep. The cost of living is also considerably lower than most UK cities. However, with its central location, close proximity to Nottingham, Derby and Leicester, and rail links to London, city lights are always within easy reach, and Loughborough is a great base for exploring the county and beyond.

Study Resources and Support

With so much going on, it’s not surprising you can’t keep up with it all. Loughborough has a strong tradition of providing excellent student support – from state of the art IT facilities available around the clock to award-winning mathematics support and library services. Wireless networking is available across the campus. In addition, we provide advice and support on careers, personal wellbeing, health, finance and legal matters, as well as support for students with disabilities, additional needs and mental health issues.

An International Perspective

Loughborough has a proud history of welcoming students from around the world and, today, is home to more than 2,500 international students who contribute greatly to a vibrant, diverse and lively community. Helping you settle in is a range of tailored support services, including bespoke English language learning courses, advice and support, a one-week residential orientation course held before the academic year, and the International Students’ Association – a friendly student-led association that helps with problems and organises social events. More information for international students can be found at: www.lboro.ac.uk/international

Sport for All

Of course, Loughborough is renowned worldwide for sporting excellence and counts Sebastian Coe, Paula Radcliffe and Steve Backley among its famous sporting alumni. However, the focus here is on providing sporting opportunities to all levels: from elite athlete to enthusiast beginner. At Loughborough, there is an excellent array of sporting facilities covering the widest possible range of sports, including tennis, squash and badminton courts, sports pitches, all-weather play areas, the National Cricket Centre, the athletics stadium and our 50 metre swimming pool.

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Industry’s Choice

We are proud of our strong relationships with industry, commerce and the professions in teaching, research and enterprise. Our collaborative links with global blue-chip companies like Ford, adidas, Rolls-Royce and Caterpillar ensure the relevance of our commercial research. They also mean our degree courses are up-to-date and informed by the needs of organisations, with sponsorships, prizes and guest speakers adding value to your learning experience. Professional placement opportunities are also offered on many courses, giving you the chance to gain valuable work experience.

Research that Matters

The most recent Research Assessment Exercise (RAE) confirmed Loughborough as one of the country’s Top-20 research universities with 18% of our research considered “world-leading”. With many academics involved in cutting-edge research addressing the immediate problems in social, economic and industrial practice, their work will directly inform your learning experience.

For more information visit: www.lboro.ac.uk/research

Students’ Union

The University has the only wholly independently owned Students’ Union in the country – run by the students for the students. A key player in creating the Loughborough experience, the Union offers entertainment in the form of bars, live comedy, performing arts and cinema, as well as being one of the largest music and dance venues in Leicestershire. In addition, it provides opportunities for volunteering, participation in clubs and societies, and charity fund-raising. Indeed, the fund-raising arm of the Union – Loughborough Rag – is one of the biggest and most successful in the UK, regularly raising £1m a year for a variety of charitable causes.

A Wealth of Opportunities

It’s not all about sport at Loughborough. With the Union offering more than 100 clubs and societies, covering everything from creative writing, computing and cocktails to Shakespeare, show choirs and salsa, opportunities abound to indulge an existing interest or discover brand new ones. Our lively arts programme is complemented by a book club, choirs, string orchestras and concert bands that are open to join. There’s never a dull moment at Loughborough. Your only problem might be trying to fit it all in.
CRIMINOLOGY AND SOCIAL POLICY

BSc (Hons) 3 years full time
UCAS code: ML24
BSc (Hons) DPS* 4 years sandwich
UCAS code: LL64
* Diploma inProfessional Studies

Entry Criteria
IBB6-AAB (General Studies accepted); the third A-level may be substituted
by 2 subjects at AS-level. Entry Requirements are the same for both the
3-year and 4-year sandwich course.
IB: 32 points including 5 at SL in English
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Other BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma: DDM profile

Placement Year
✓ Study Abroad
✓ Additional Award
✓

Why study Criminology and Social Policy at Loughborough?

Criminology and Social Policy is the study of British social policy,
and how crime-related policy is affected, created and implemented.
You will learn about current issues faced by policy makers and
practitioners including contemporary policing issues and crime control.
The course takes an exciting and relevant approach to understanding
and addressing societal problems.

Fundamentally the course covers:
- Understanding crime, its causes and prevention
- Exploring the links between crime and society’s responses to criminally
- Knowing about the work of the police, the courts, prisons and other criminal
  justice agencies
- Addressing social problems e.g. drug misuse, teenage pregnancy, domestic
  violence, poverty
- Addressing social issues e.g. sex education, immigration control
- Giving recognition to disadvantaged, socially excluded and minority groups
- Creating equal opportunity
- Understanding criminal justice policy
- Exploring the links between crime and social policy

About the Course

The course takes an applied look at current issues which affect crime and social
policy, underpinned by a range of transferable skills. You will gain an understanding of
how theoretical and methodological developments can impact on the current policy
landscape, and examine the effectiveness of such changes.
More information on course content can be found on pages 8 and 9.

Learning and Teaching

Teaching and learning is provided using a number of methods, including:
- Lectures - these are larger classes used to communicate knowledge or theory to a
  large number of students. Some lectures may be supported by seminars where you will
  have the opportunity to discuss issues raised in the lecture in more detail.
- Tutorials - individual and small group work to look into the issues and topics raised
  during lectures in a much more in-depth way
- Computer laboratory sessions - develop software skills
- Self-study - this is directed study undertaken in your own time outside of timetabled
  classes
- Seminars - smaller classes to allow group discussion. Often you will prepare verbal
  and/or visual presentations or discussion papers for these groups

Assessment

Assessment is carried out using a number of different methods. The type of method used
depends on which modules are studied. These include:
- Examinations
- Essays
- Reports
- Presentations
- In-class tests
- Multiple choice examinations
- Dissertation
To find out more information about teaching, learning and assessment, including example
projects and assessment questions, please see our website:
www.lboro.ac.uk/socialsci/casp

Opportunities

As well as the excellent teaching provided on this course, you can also benefit
from a number of other opportunities to enhance your skills and experiences. Opportunities
include:
- Year-long placement opportunities
- International exchange programme
- European ERASMUS exchange programme
- Teaching year abroad
- Learn a foreign language
- The Brockington Review - a student newspaper
- Field trips
- Department seminars and lectures
To find out more about these opportunities and how you can become involved in them,
please see our website: www.lboro.ac.uk/socialsci/casp

Career Opportunities

95% of Criminology and Social Policy students are in employment or further
study six months after graduating. This high percentage is testament to the
excellent preparation we provide to students on this course.
Possible careers include: education, housing, NHS, social services, probation,
human resources, management, marketing, research, the law, police forces,
military, voluntary and charities sector and further study.
The broad nature of the course also supports a large number of other careers,
not necessarily specifically related to criminology or social policy.
Recent graduate destinations:
- Ministry of Justice, Offender Manager
- National Youth Association, Youth
- Worker
- British Transport Police, Community Support Officer
- Prison Youth Development, Youth Development Support Worker

Contact Details for all Courses

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E: semequiries@lboro.ac.uk

www.lboro.ac.uk/socialsci
Don't believe people when they say social science degrees are easy! They are totally different from other degrees and come with their own difficulties, but, as long as you get involved, work hard and engage with the subjects it's a very worthwhile experience.

Jack Harding, Criminology and Social Policy - Final year
Members of this team are nationally and internationally renowned for their specialist knowledge and expertise, and have published numerous books and articles. Their expertise and experience helps to keep the course content relevant and up-to-date.

Below is a list of our staff with their research interests. Full information about our staff can be found on our website: www.lboro.ac.uk/socialsci/staff

**Professor Jo Aldridge**
Jo teaches women and crime, with a focus on women as the victims, offenders and survivors of crime (including rape and sexual assault and domestic violence). Jo also teaches on topics relating to vulnerable children and young people and her research focuses on children’s rights, female victimisation and different and innovative research methods when working with vulnerable populations.

**Dr Karen Lumsden**
Karen teaches Research Methods, and her research interests include crime and deviance, youth, car culture, moral panics, insurance fraud, policing, social networking, and qualitative methods.

**Dr Mike Stephens**
Mike specialises in the area of criminal justice, especially the police. Mike’s research on the police has focussed on police leadership and training, and the handling of evidence and process. He also teaches modules covering the courts and prisons.

**Professor Elizabeth Stokoe**
Liz teaches Forensic Psychology, and her research interests include police investigative interviewing of suspects and witnesses, and community and social networking, and qualitative methods.

**Professor Harriet Ward**
Harriet is a qualified social worker and is the Director of the Centre for Child and Family Research (CCFR). Harriet and her team in CCFR conduct policy-relevant research on services for vulnerable children and adults, in particular children looked after away from home.

**Dr Martyn Chamberlain**
Martyn’s academic interests lie in risk, governance and surveillance studies as well as environmental and green criminology. He also has a long-standing interest in the role and meanings of normally abandoned structures. Martyn teaches in the areas of quantitative data analysis and the governance of serious and violent sex crime.

**Dr Jamie Cleland**
Jamie’s teaching is in the areas of sport, social deviance, racism, sexuality and homophobia, the media, communication and violence. His latest examination of racism and homophobia in football has highlighted the potential implications of anti-discrimination research on future social policy.

**Dr Louise Grove**
Louise’s teaching and research interests include criminology and methods of evaluation, penal reform and wildlife crime. She has links with several criminal justice organisations, including Victim Support, Leicestershire Police, and the Howard League for Penal Reform.

**When to Apply**
You should apply to UCAS between the start of 1 September and 15 January. Applications received by this closing date receive equal consideration. Applications received after the closing date will only be considered if places are still available on the degree course.

**Entry Requirements**
Loughborough University accepts a wide range of qualifications for entry to our degree programmes, the main ones of which are detailed here. Please check the online prospectus for the most up-to-date entry requirements for your course: www.lboro.ac.uk/study

GCE A-Levels
Normally applicants are expected to offer at least three full GCE A-Levels, although in exceptional cases one of your A-Levels may be replaced by two subjects at GCE AS-Level. In many cases, specific subjects may be required which will be indicated in individual programme requirements. Please contact us if you are in doubt over the suitability of any of your qualifications.

International Baccalaureate Diploma
Applicants are required to have the full International Baccalaureate Diploma with at least three subjects studied at Higher Level. As well as an overall points score, specific subjects and points may be required at Standard or Higher Level. English Language must be achieved with four points at Standard Level.

**Other Qualifications**
We accept a wide range of other equivalent international qualifications. Please contact the International Office for details: internationaloffice@lboro.ac.uk

BTECs
BTEC Higher National Diplomas and Higher National Certificates are usually acceptable and in some cases may allow applicants to progress directly to year two of the programme where previous study fits with the degree programme. BTEC Level 3 Extended Diplomas or BTEC National Diplomas are suitable entry qualifications for many programmes. A combination of A Levels and the BTEC Level 3 Diploma or Subsidiary Diploma may be accepted.

Access to HE Diploma
An Access to HE Diploma in a relevant subject area is considered suitable for entry to the vast majority of our programmes. A minimum of a pass with 45 credits at Level Three and 15 credits at Level Two are required and, in some cases, specific grades may be required in certain units. Students must also meet minimum GCSE requirements.

Advanced Diploma
The Advanced Diploma is accepted for most undergraduate degree programmes.

Open University (OU)
Loughborough recognises credits achieved on some OU courses as appropriate qualifications for entry. Please contact the Admissions Office at: admissions@lboro.ac.uk for advice.

English Language Requirements
All students must meet the University’s English language requirements as set out below:
- GCE or GCSE pass in English Language (grade C minimum) or CSE at Grade 1
- SCE Standard Grade at Grade 3

For other acceptable English Language qualifications visit: www.lboro.ac.uk/englishlang

These are the University minimum requirements and will be higher for some programmes.

Maths Requirements
Please note that GCSE Mathematics grade C is also normally required.
Student Loan for Living Costs
To help with living costs, eligible students permanently resident in the UK will also be able to take out a student loan. The amount depends on where you live and where you are studying. Currently the maximum annual loan for eligible English students living away from home, but not studying in London, will be £5,500, and this is likely to rise slightly for 2014.

Students from England should apply for a loan through Student Finance England; students from Wales via their Local Authority; students from Scotland through the Students Award Agency for Scotland (SAAS); and students from Northern Ireland through the appropriate Education and Library Board. There may be further financial assistance towards living costs for some students, including disabled students and students with dependants. For further information contact Student Finance England.

Government maintenance grant
In addition to the student loan, students from low income families may be eligible for a maintenance grant from the Government. Detailed information on how to apply for this financial assistance can be obtained from Student Finance England. The Student Awards Agency for Scotland, the Welsh Assembly Government and the Department of Education for Northern Ireland produce detailed guides on student financial support.

Access to Learning Fund
The University has an Access to Learning Fund which exists to provide assistance for UK students who experience severe hardship.

Further information is available from the Student Advice and Support Service: www.lboro.ac.uk/studentsupportcentre

Scholarships
Various scholarships are available for both UK and international students.
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Tuition Fees
Loughborough University is currently charging the following annual fees for full-time UK/EU:

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GET IN TOUCH
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Open Days
Coming to one of our Open Days is the best way of sampling the Loughborough Experience for yourself. It gives you the chance to meet lecturers and students from the courses you are interested in, attend talks on subjects and department tours, take a guided tour of our campus, view Halls of Residence and check out the Students’ Union.

Full details of forthcoming Open Day dates and how to register can be found at www.lboro.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/visiting/open-days

“I would tell anyone considering Loughborough to come to an Open Day. The atmosphere got me excited to study here.”
Robyn Potter, BSc student

How to find us
Loughborough is at the heart of England in the northernmost part of the county of Leicestershire and being centrally placed it is well served by road, rail and air.

Main line road and rail networks link Loughborough directly with the rest of the country and London is one-and-a-half hours away by train, Birmingham one hour and Manchester and Leeds around two hours.

Loughborough’s nearest motorway link is the M1; the campus is just two miles from Junction 23. The University is clearly signed on all the other main approach roads to Loughborough. There are regular scheduled flights from UK, European and international destinations to East Midlands Airport, only 7 miles away.

Sat Nav users should use this postcode: LE11 3TZ

For full details of how to find us by car or public transport visit www.lboro.ac.uk/about/findus.html

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