

## **Call for Applications: Bachelor of Arts in Applied Policing and Criminal Justice at the University of Limerick**

The Bachelor of Arts in Applied Policing and Criminal Justice is a two-year, part-time, blended learning programme designed for those who have completed the level 7 BA in Applied Policing, delivered at An Garda Síochána Training College, or equivalent.

This level 8 programme provides a unique opportunity for learners to capitalise on their current expertise and to develop further skills and competencies that will be of benefit in navigating the challenging and evolving environment of the criminal justice system. Learners develop these skills through a progressive model of blended learning that is comprised of online lectures, student guide, interactive learning elements, recommended readings, and regular tutor led interactions. These elements allow learners to experience new ways of teaching and learning and to engage with new teaching technologies as part of the programme, leading to the award of a level 8 honours degree.

As part of the programme, learners complete ten modules, delivered by the School of Law using an online e-learning platform. Learners combine taught modules with research modules in order to develop their cognitive and technical skills. Learners also complete a final year project under the supervision of a faculty member with specific expertise in that area. This gives learners the opportunity to work independently on a topic that is of personal interest to them and allows them to conduct research under their own direction.

The application process for the 2020 intake for the level 8 BA in Applied Policing and Criminal Justice will open on 1 April 2020 and will close on 1 June 2020. Online orientation will take place in the two weeks prior to the start of the Autumn term (week commencing 24 August 2020 and week commencing 31 August 2020). Lectures will start on 7 September 2020. Full details on the programme, including a link to the Course Brochure and information on the application process, can be accessed on the programme website: <https://www.ul.ie/gps/applied-policing-and-criminal-justice-ba>

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