

Access to Higher Education Unit

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Unit Title: Forensic Evidence

Graded Unit Reference Number: GA33CRI05

Ungraded Unit Reference Number: UA33CRI05

Module: Criminology

Level: 3

Credit Value: 3

Minimum Guided Learning Hours: 30

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Understand developments in the use of forensic science in crime detection	1.1 Describe key historical milestones in the development of forensic science
	1.2 Explain the precautions used to protect forensic evidence at a crime scene
	1.3 Evaluate the use of modern technology in the collection and analysis of forensic evidence
2. Understand the science of dactyloscopy and its use in the detection of crime	2.1 Describe the principles of fingerprint collection at a crime scene and from suspects
	2.2 With reference to traditional and modern approaches, explain the principles and reliability of fingerprint matching
3. Understand the use of biological material in the apprehension of criminals	3.1 Evaluate the use of blood groups (ABO and other systems) in the identification of potential suspects
	3.2 Identify potential sources of DNA that might be found at a crime scene
	3.3 Describe the production of a DNA profile from biological material

3.4 Explain the use and reliability of DNA profiles in the elimination of suspects and conviction of criminals