

I have a real interest in many aspects of criminology, whether it pertains to the topic of homelessness, victimisation or the more sensational stories around drug trafficking. Consequently I have undertaken some personal reading in the area including 'The General and the Gangland', 'A Cultural History of Intoxication' and 'The Trial Empire', among others.

During "Transition Year" (a school year geared for the development of skills and personal interests) I chose my work experience in Ireland's High Court, where I was present for a number of criminal trials. During this time that I found the study of criminology to be far more interesting and varied than, my previous interest, the study of Law.

I also spent some of the programme working in the National Radio and Television studios. Ideally I would like to link my B.A. Studies of Criminology with the pursuit of a career in Journalism.

I am willing to work hard to achieve my goals. In order to improve my spoken French I spent six weeks working as an au pair for a family in Lyon. My work ethic and positive attitude are both qualities I feel would help me to successfully finish this course, these are attributes helping me work towards my Grade Five Exams in both Piano and Flute. I am also presently studying for my "Certificate in Drama".

I see the prospect of attending college in England and studying criminology as an adventure and a challenge, but one that I feel I have the genuine enthusiasm and discipline to meet successfully.