

## Transcript

The staff on the Investigative Psychology course are all active researchers and publish their own work, which is really beneficial to learn from experts. The staff were also able to help me publish my own first academic paper. The course provides a lot of guest speakers from a lot of different industries, which gives a good insight into the different roles you can get with this qualification.

The best thing about the research project is that the skills you'll gain are very applicable to the analyst role. You identify an issue, you download and analyse your data, you write your report, and you present it to chief officers.

The Investigative Psychology course provides you with a lot of skills that are transferable to being a police analyst, particularly writing reports for specific audiences like police audiences that we do in the court report and geographical profiling report.

The strategic analyst role is really meaningful because I can use the academic skills I got from university and produce work that informs decision-makers.

The Investigative Psychology course has been really beneficial in my career progression. The skills I gained during the course have helped me become an analyst, and I've been able to further utilise them in being promoted into the Analytics and Evaluation Manager role.

The highlight of my career so far has been to contribute towards the violence against women and girls work done within the police as part of the push by the National Police Chiefs Council for policing to better understand this area, so that work involved analysing data against women and girls so your domestic abuse data, sexual crimes, identifying hot spots within Merseyside Police of where this happened, and it then fed into the national project.

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