

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE



Course

BTEC Health & Social Care Level 3 Certificate & extended Certificate equivalent to 1 A Level.

National Diploma in Health & Social Care

This course can also be taken as a double award equivalent in size to 2 A Levels. Where this is the case students will study further related units.

Exam Board

Pearson

Entry requirements

GCSE English Language Grade 4

Why study Health & Social Care?

This course enables learners to gain a nationally recognised vocationally specific qualification to enter employment in the Health and Social Care sector. It gives learners the opportunity to develop a range of skills and techniques, personal skills and attributes essential for successful performance in working life.

Course content

Unit 1: Human Lifespan Development

- Learners cover physical, intellectual, emotional and social development across the Human lifespan.
- Learners will examine factors affecting development and the effects of ageing.

Unit 5: Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs

- Examine the principles, values and skills which underpin meeting the care and support needs of individuals
- Examine the ethical issues involved when providing care and support to meet individual needs
- Investigate the principles behind enabling individuals with care and support needs
- Investigate the roles of professionals and how they work together to provide care and support necessary to meet individual needs.

Unit 2: Working in Health and Social Care

- Learners explore what it is like to work in the Health and Social Care sector.
- Including examining the roles and responsibilities of workers and organisations.

Unit 12: Supporting Individuals with additional needs

Assessment

The course is assessed through a combination of internal and external assessment. Exam papers require a mixture of shorter and more developed answers.

This course is equivalent to:

Distinction - 120 Points, (equivalent to Grade A at A level)
Merit - 80 Points, (equivalent to Grade C at A level)
Pass - 40 Points, (equivalent to Grade E at A level)

At the end of Year 13 learners will achieve the extended certificate equivalent to 1 A level

Progression after Sixth Form

Many students progress to higher education vocational qualifications.

Career opportunities

University courses such as Nursing, Midwifery, Early Years, Social work, Occupational therapy. The Health and Social Care course is assessed using a combination of internal and external assessments. Two Internal assessments are set and marked by the course tutors, moderated within school and sent for National Standards Sampling. The other two external assessments are set and marked by Pearson. All work is task based and frequent verbal feedback is given by tutors. There are opportunities for work placements in a Health and Social Care setting to access relevant information for assignments. During this course, you will have the opportunity to participate in work experience within the health and social care industry. Additionally, regular guest speakers throughout the course will work with you as potential health and social care professionals. School visits to the London museum of Health and Medicine where you will have the opportunity to observe exhibitions on Sigmund Freud's work in psychology which coincides with Unit 11 and a chance to discover the history of Public Health Nursing. It's a great experience for budding health professionals!

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