

Health & Social Care

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma

Course Description

If you want to make a positive difference in people's lives, then studying Health and Social Care is for you. To study Health & Social Care, you need to have a strong desire to support individuals during the toughest times of their lives. You may be supporting an elderly patient with Dementia, a young child with Down's Syndrome, a patient who has severe trauma stemming from psychological issues - or a footballer who requires physiotherapy.

You will acquire a lot of transferable skills such as problem-solving, being compassionate yet decisive, a good listener, team player and leader. This course also gives you a unique insight into the National Health Service and other distinctive organisations involved in healthcare provision.

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care is equivalent to 3 A levels, with a D*D*D* being equivalent to 3 A* A levels. The grades available for each unit are Pass, Merit or Distinction respectively. As part of the course, students will take part in a variety of activities including visits, group assignments, presentations and observations. A large amount of research work is required, Thus students are expected to utilise various resources such as textbooks, the internet, TV, newspapers, policy documents and so on. From a work experience unit, which is always a success with pupils, to a range of units covering content across the natural sciences, Psychology and Sociology, whatever your future goals, it all starts here with Health and Social Care!

Entry Requirements

GCSE Average: 3.6 GCSE grade 4 in Maths, grade 4 in English, grade 4 in Sciences.



Progression

The BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care can lead to employment as a Health Care Assistant, Care Worker or a Support Worker, you can go on to do a number of apprenticeships or to Higher Education to study Adult Nursing, Health & Social Care, Youth and Community Work and Early Childhood Studies. Whether you are interested in becoming an Occupational Therapist, Youth Worker or even a counsellor in the criminal justice system, the possibilities are endless...

So, if you fancy understanding the human mind, the human body and how we take care of those things, then this is the course for you!



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We cover a variety of units that encompass the natural sciences, Psychology and Sociology.

Work experience is also a crucial, rewarding (and fun!) unit that students always enjoy taking part in every year.

Here are some of the other units that we cover below:

- ♦ Human Lifespan Development
- ♦ Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs
- ♦ Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care
- ♦ Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care



“Health and Social Care is an interesting yet challenging subject. It enables you to expand your knowledge of other topics, for example Psychology, Sociology and Biology; combining these subjects gives you an eye-opening experience about the health and social care sector. The most fun part of health and social care is work experience, you get a chance to apply your knowledge and understanding of what you have learned in the classroom and contextualise this knowledge in the real world. Thus work experience equips you with the necessary skills and capabilities to enter the world of work as a service provider when the time comes. Studying Health and Social Care gives you a wide range of future career choices in the health and social care sector, such as a Midwife, Nursery Nurse, Psychiatrist, and SO MUCH more!”

Further Information

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