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Introduction to the course

BTEC Level 2 Extended Certificate in Health & Social Care is aimed at students who would like to work in any area of health, social care or early years including nursing, carer work, social work, youth work.

BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma has the purpose of helping you to become occupationally ready to take up employment in the health & social care sector at the appropriate level, or to act as a stepping stone to Higher Education at university or college.

Entry criteria

Level 2: Four GCSEs at grade D/3 or above or equivalent qualification Level 3: Five GCSEs at grade C/4 or above, one of which must be English language^{*}

Assessment method

Level 2: A variety of different assessment methods including; exam, leaflets, posters, role play, witness testimonies, observation by tutor, PowerPoint presentation and work books. Level 3: Your qualification uses a combination of assessment styles to prepare you for success in the workplace. They also will provide you with the study skills to continue learning on Higher Education courses. Assessments are set and marked by your tutors.

Course outline

The BTEC Level 2 Extended Certificate in Health & Social Care Units covered:

- Health and social care values
- Effective communication in health and social care
- Social influences on health and wellbeing
- Promoting health and wellbeing
- The impact of nutrition on health and wellbeing
- Equality and diversity in health and social care
- Human body systems and care of disorders
- Creative and therapeutic activities in health and social care

Externally marked units (examinations):

- Human lifespan development
- Healthy living

Course duration

Level 2: One year, full time Level 3: Two years, full time

Campus

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* Most universities require five GCSEs at grade C/4 or above, including English and maths, as well as a Level 3 qualification.

Students who successfully complete all elements of their programme at College will be able to progress onto the next level, eg from Access to Level 1, Level 1 to Level 2, and from Level 2 to Level 3.

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care is equivalent to three A Levels. This course will provide you with the knowledge, understanding, skills and attributes required for working in the health & social care sector. It will enable you to develop a substantial common core of knowledge in areas such as communication skills, equality and diversity, health and safety, human lifespan development and anatomy and physiology.

The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care consists of eight mandatory units (providing 80 credits) plus nine optional units that provide for a further 100 credits to produce a combined total of 180 credits for the completed qualification.

The mandatory units are:

- Developing effective communication in health and social care
- Equality, diversity and rights in health and social care
- Health, safety and security in health and social care
- Development through the life stages
- Anatomy and physiology for health and social care
- Personal and professional development in health and social care
- Sociological perspectives for health and social care
- Psychological perspectives for health and social care.

You will also be required to complete a minimum of 200 work experience hours as part of your course.

Progression opportunities

Upon achievement of the Level 2 qualification, you can progress onto Level 3 Health & Social Care. There is also the opportunity for employment in the health & social care sector

The Level 3 qualification is recognised by higher education providers and is appropriate for those learners who wish to progress to a social care or health-related degree eg nursing, social work, health & social care. This course also provides opportunities to work in the health & social care sector eg care assistant, youth work or pharmacy.



Additional learning support

As part of your learning programme, if you have not yet attained a grade C/4 or equivalent in mathematics and English language, you will be required to study a Functional Skill or GCSE in these subjects.

Students may require additional support for a number of reasons. At the start of your course you will be asked to complete an initial assessment in order for us to identify any additional needs that you may have. During your course, your personal tutor will be able to guide you on how best to access support.

We can offer the following:

- Progress Coaches
- Learner Support assistance (1:1)
- Learner Support assistance (group)
- Learner Support assistance (drop-ins)
- Specialist ESOL teaching
- Study lab sessions
- In-class support
- Special arrangements for exams

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