

Health and Social Care

Why Study Health and Social Care?

It is a course designed to give a broad understanding of issues faced in the Health, Early Years, Education, and Social Care sectors. You will explore the sectors from the viewpoint of both practitioner and client, and investigate how the needs of both are addressed. You will learn excellent academic skills of analysis and evaluation applied to real-life case studies.



What Can I Do with the Qualification?

The Extended Certificate or Diploma, alongside your other A-Levels, opens up a range of career pathways. Many of our students go into higher education programmes in a range of subjects:

- ♦ Anglia Ruskin University - *Midwifery*
- ♦ Saint Martin's College - *Education and Special Educational Needs*
- ♦ University of Birmingham - *Paediatric Nursing*
- ♦ Leicester University - *Degree in Nursing with Mental Health*
- ♦ Canterbury University - *Degree in Early Years Childhood Studies (leading to a career in primary school teaching)*
- ♦ Portsmouth University - *Film Studies*
- ♦ Lincoln University - *Degree in Social Work*
- ♦ University of Surrey - *Paramedic Science*



What Do I Study on the Course?

Extended Certificate Course Content (6 UNITS)

During the course you will study attitudes and prejudices which affect clients' access to care, considering how their rights can be protected.

You will also learn about the importance of communication skills and analyse your own ability to interact successfully with clients.

Studying the legislation governing health and safety and safeguarding standards will give you an awareness of the roles and responsibilities of practitioners.

Anatomy and physiology plays an important role in understanding long-term physiological illnesses. You will learn how people manage the impact of diseases and the services available to support them.

Studying the development of Public Health legislation will give you an insight into the role of public bodies in protecting the nation's health.



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Diploma Course Content (12 UNITS)

The further six units include learning how to provide person-centred care, which will help you to understand how to meet client needs effectively and efficiently.

This is complemented by studying the difficulties faced by looked-after children, and learning how to design and make meaningful activities for children or people living in care.

You will also study infection control and safeguarding, giving you an insight into the way care settings need to organise their policies and procedures to protect clients and staff.

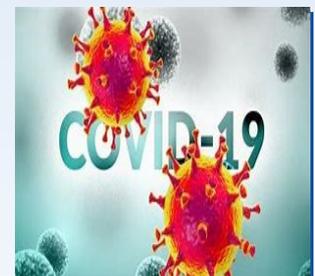
Studying mental health conditions and the necessary care and treatment will extend your knowledge of how to support people living with long-term conditions.

Assessment is 50% external exam. You can take each exam twice, there are two assessment opportunities each year in January and June. Three or six units will be studied each year. Awards can be claimed at the end of one or two years of study.

The course structure can take the form of:

- A Certificate (3 units)
- An Extended Certificate (6 units)
- A Foundation Diploma (9 units)
- A Diploma (12 units)

All awards carry UCAS points equivalent to an AS/1 A-Level/1.5 A-Levels/2 A-Levels



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