

BTEC Level 3 Health & Social Care



Exam Board: Pearson

BTECs embody a fundamentally learner-centred approach to the curriculum, with a flexible, unit-based structure and knowledge applied in project-based assessments. They focus on the holistic development of the practical, interpersonal and thinking skills required to be able to succeed in employment and higher education. Health and Social Care will give you a valuable insight and practical examples of a variety of elements of health and social care, from child development, to safeguarding and mental health.

Course Overview:

Extended Certificate – Units (equivalent to 1 A Level)

- Human Lifespan Development (Examination)
- Working in Health and Social Care (Examination)
- Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs (Assignment)
- Physiological Disorders and their care (Assignment)

Entry requirements:

There are no specific entry requirements above the general requirements for PH6, however students need to be motivated, good at working independently and interested in Health and Social Care issues.

Assessment:

Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Health & Social Care

360 GLH (480 TQT)

Equivalent in size to one A Level.

4 units of which 3 are mandatory and 2 are external.

Mandatory content (83%). External assessment (58%).

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Who is the course for?

If you have not got your health, what have you got?

You will explore questions such as, how does a disease such as Diabetes, Parkinson's disease or Coronary heart disease impact on the life of individuals. How do you become an effective communicator? How can we ensure that the care system is inclusive and respects diversity?

This course will provide you with transferable knowledge and skills that prepare you for progression to university. Topics that you will study include Equality, Diversity and Rights, Research Methods, Development Stages, Safeguarding, Promoting Health and Wellbeing, amongst other topics. You will consider the real impacts to people living with conditions or illnesses such as the social, financial and psychological impacts, not just the signs, symptoms and treatment of faceless conditions or illnesses. You will also learn about the legislation and guidance supporting health and social care, so that you can ensure the people you are working with are not only able to access all the care and support they are entitled to, but are also able to protect themselves from any harm or abuse.

Career pathways:

This course naturally links to a range of Health and Social Care careers including: nursing, midwifery, dental care, social work and early years childcare and teaching.

'Health and Social Care is really relevant to what is happening in society and the careers that are available. It is a diverse and open-minded subject that explores different ways to meet peoples' needs. It is great for students who prefer to complete assignments as well as exams – this combination has helped me to organise my learning and is really relevant to real life contexts'