

OCR Cambridge Tec Level 3 Health & Social Care

Previous results are **outstanding** across all courses in this subject:



WHAT IS HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE?

This subject will give learners an understanding of health and social care in the wider contexts of different environments and settings where care takes place, the importance of effective communication in health and social care, the importance of legislation in health and social care and how to deliver a person-centred approach in the care given. Learners will also develop transferable skills such as communication, research, planning and organisation.

WHY SHOULD I STUDY HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE?

You should consider studying Health and Social Care if you want to study units which provide the breadth of knowledge, understanding and skills to prepare you to study in a Higher Education Institution either on a health and social care-related degree course or to support an application for a range of other degree courses.

USEFUL SKILLS & INTERESTS

To be successful on the course you will need:

- a high level of commitment as the course is very demanding in order to meet coursework deadlines
- to be willing to embrace a flexible approach to your own learning
- wish to develop the special strengths and qualities needed for work in the care sectors
- to become pro-active in finding work experience/volunteering opportunities

COURSE STRUCTURE & CONTENT

Within the Health Care Course there are two options to consider:

- * The level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate which is equivalent to an AS level
- * The level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate which is equivalent to 1 full A Level
- * The level 3 Cambridge Technical Diploma which is equivalent to 2 full A Levels

All students will complete the following mandatory units for the Certificate and the Diploma

To achieve the Certificate learners must successfully master three units in their first year

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| • Unit 1 | Building positive relationships in health & social care | Coursework |
| • Unit 2 | Equality, diversity and rights in health & social care | Exam |
| • Unit 3 | Health, safety & security in health & social care | Exam |

To achieve the Extended Certificate learners must have successfully completed the certificate and then successfully completed three additional units in their second year

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| • Unit 4 | Anatomy & physiology for health & social care | Exam |
| • Unit 10 | Nutrition for health | Coursework |
| • Unit 13 | Sexual health, reproduction and early development stages | Coursework |
| • Or Unit 17 | Supporting people with mental health conditions | Coursework |

Students wanting to gain the Diploma will need to successfully complete the Extended Certificate (all six units) in their first year and the six more additional units in their second year.

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| • Unit 5 | Infection Control | Coursework |
| • Unit 6 | Personalisation and a person-centred approach to care | Exam |
| • Unit 7 | Safeguarding | Exam |
| • Unit 8 | Creativity and activity for children and young people | Coursework |
| • Unit 14 | The impact of long-term physiological conditions | Coursework |
| • Unit 17 | Supporting people with mental health conditions | Coursework |

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Assessment is coursework, marked by tutors and moderated by the examining board. Exams will take place in January and June.

COURSE COMMITMENT

You must be committed to studying independently. You will need to carry out research into different topics and present your research in a way that is required by the examination board. You will be expected to present some of your findings to your peers.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

For entry on to this course you will need to meet the college standard entry requirements for Advanced Level study of 5 GCSE passes (grades 4 - 9), including GCSE English and preferably Maths or Science. If you are studying the Extended certificate you must have at least one science at a grade 4.

PROGRESSION ROUTES

There are numerous opportunities in Further or Higher Education. Pursuing careers in areas such as Nursing & Midwifery, a wide range of medically-related careers, Social Work, Probation Service, Nutrition, Mental Health, Armed Forces, Police, Primary School Teaching and Early Years Care.



Some of the students who studied this course at Prior Pursglove College progressed on to:

- Edinburgh Napier University – Law
- Huddersfield University – Criminology / Operating Department Practice
- Liverpool John Moore University – Business & Management
- Newcastle College – Children and Young People
- Northumbria University – Law / Psychology / Social Work
- Sheffield University – Adult Nursing
- Staffordshire University – Health Studies
- Teesside University – Adult Nursing / Childhood & Youth Studies / Dental Nurse Practice / Food & Nutrition / Law / Mental Health Nursing / Occupational Therapy / Social Work
- University of Chester – Primary Education with QTS
- University of Cumbria – Working with Children & Families

FURTHER INFORMATION

Full course specifications can be found at www.ocr.org.uk If you require further information please contact the subject team Carole Blades, Kyla Hamlyn or Bernadette Oliver.

Please note that the information in this leaflet is correct at the time of publication, but circumstances may arise which cause us to revise our provision. April 2021