# BTEC LEVEL 3 - EXTENDED CERTIFICATE IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

## **Course Content**

The BTEC Health and Social Care course is a two year course that covers many aspects of Health and Social Care. This is an exciting course where students research and investigate a variety of relevant topics related to the ever changing world of the Health and Social Care sector of industry.

The content of the course has a vocational setting to give students a good understanding of the work carried out in this area. You will be expected to undertake relevant work experience in the Health and Social Care sector to assist with your studies.

# The qualification is equivalent to one A' Level.

# **Mandatory Units:**

Optional Units:

**Learners complete 1 Optional Unit** 

- Unit 1 Human Lifespan Development
- Unit 2 Working in Health and Social Care
- Unit 5 Meeting Individual Care and Support

# **Teaching and Learning**

Lessons in this subject will be interactive; you will gain more from this course if you are prepared to take an active part in discussions and class activities. There will be opportunities for current practitioners and university students to come in to class and share their real-life experiences. This will make the subject realistic, meaningful and varied. You will also undertake voluntary work in the Health and Social Care sector to assist you with your studies.

Students will complete the compulsory units first before attempting the optional units.

#### **Assessment**

#### Total number of units – 4

Units 1 and 2 – written exam, set and marked externally Unit 5 – an assignment set and marked internally

Optional Unit - an assignment set and marked internally

# **Progression**

Health and Social Care is a good choice to study alongside other A Levels if you are thinking of any career that involves working with people. These include amongst others, Nursing (Adult, Mental Health and Paediatric), Midwifery, Physiotherapy, Occupational Health, Social Work, Primary Teaching, Early Years, Police and Youth Work. Some students will study for this qualification purely for the interest they have in this fascinating subject. It will equip you with a range of transferable skills including team working, organisation, presentation, effective communication, working to deadlines, time-management, independence and initiative; all very valuable to both universities and employees.

# **Entry Requirements**

4 GCSE Grade 4 or above

# **Examination Board**

Edexcel

## **Further Details**

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