

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Health & Social Care

Pearson Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification BTEC National in Health and Social Care (Extended Certificate)



Examination Board: Pearson
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Course Structure

Equivalent in size to one A Level and worth the same in UCAS points
4 units of which 3 are mandatory and 2 are external.
Mandatory content (75%). External assessment (50%).

Unit	Topics/Unit Title	Assessment
1	Human Lifespan Development – PIES and factors affecting growth and development, interventions and the different professionals providing care and treatment	External (Exam)
2	Human Biology and Health – Human body structure and systems, normal physiological functioning and the impact of common disorders	External (Exam)
3	Health and Social Care Practice – Core principles, values and legislation that underpin and influence health and social care, and the effect of social determinants on an individual health status	Internal
1 x Optional Unit		
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Health, Social Policy and Wellbeing – Public health policy and its influences, including health-related organisations/groups and a range of strategic factorsPromoting Health Education – Health education, its purpose and use of different approaches and models to achieve positive health outcomesSafe Environments in Health and Social Care – Appropriate provisions in services relevant to different needs; governance relating to safe environmentsHealth Science – Types of infections and their potential impact on a local, national and international scale.	Internal

Entry Requirements

Combination Pathway	A combination of 2 A levels and BTEC L3 Health and Social Care 5 You will need: 5 grade 5's including English & Maths. A level 4 or above in science would be desirable too.
Bespoke Pathway	A combination of an A level subject and BTEC Health and Social Care & English/Maths resit GCSE 5 grade 4's including science.



What knowledge and skills will the student develop as part of this qualification and how might these be of use and value in further studies?

Students will develop the following knowledge and skills from the mandatory units:

- Professional values and skills expected of professionals, including communication and listening skills
- Organisational and critical thinking skills
- Cultural and social intelligence when working with individuals across the lifespan with different needs, alongside methods of managing challenging situations.

Students will develop the following knowledge and skills from the optional units:

- Interpersonal skills required when working with others, including compassion and empathy
- Responsibilities of professionals to be adaptable and innovative in delivering care
- Management of own time and learning
- Academic skills such as research.

Students will develop knowledge and skills throughout this qualification that are key to health and social care related degrees. Students have the potential to develop transferable and study skills becoming well-rounded individuals, better prepared for the demands of Higher Education.

Why should I study Health and Social Care?

- Learning Health and Social Care helps you to understand the real impact of people living with conditions or illnesses such as the social, financial and psychological. This makes a difference to peoples' lives and leads to job satisfaction
- Health and Social Care helps you to understand the legislation and guidance so you can help others access the care and support they are entitled to
- Healthcare is one of the fastest growing sectors in the country with high employability rates and as the population lives longer, this is set to continue
- Health and Social Care gives you practical work experience and the opportunity to develop strong observational and communication skills in real-life settings
- Health and Social care can lead to a variety of jobs across all sectors, including public, private and voluntary. It includes services within hospitals, clinics, care homes, medical and dental practices, emergency services, complementary medicine, and more.

If you have any queries don't hesitate to ask

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