



2021-22 Course Details

Level 3 CACHE Health & Social Care

This course is ideal for anyone interested in working in the social/healthcare sector, particularly those considering a career in Nursing, Midwifery, Health Visiting, Childcare or Pre-school/Nursery Assistant.

The course also provides foundations for students wishing to pursue a career in social care or counselling. It is also suitable, as part of a wider programme, for those aspiring to enter into primary school education and teaching as well as social work and provides the foundations for further education through courses at University.

Qualities and qualifications needed

Students are required to have a Grade 5 minimum in English, this is due to the extensive writing required. Other circumstances or teacher recommendations will be considered.

Students will need to display a range of skills including interpretation, justification and analysis and need to be able to convey an in-depth understanding of Health and Social Care themes through the use of professional terminology and evidence within their work.

How will the course be assessed?



Students will produce a portfolio of work, which covers 9 units over the 2 year course.

Students will also complete a synoptic assessment, which encourages the learner to combine elements of their learning and to show their accumulated knowledge and understanding across units and/or learning outcomes. This is done in the form of an extended essay, which is externally assessed.

Each unit must be achieved in order for students to be able to complete the course. Units are graded from A*-D. This is a different system to normal A-Levels, and carries different weighting within the UCAS points system, whereby an A* Grade is actually worth more points than an A* in an A-Level qualification.



Course content

Students will cover 9 units over the two years of the course, including 75 hours of work experience within a Health & Social Care setting. The 9 units are:

- Equality, diversity and rights in Health & Social Care
- Human growth & development
- Safeguarding in Health & Social Care
- Communication in Health & Social Care
- Infection prevention and control in Health & Social Care
- Psychological perspectives in Health & Social Care
- Sociological perspectives in Health & Social Care
- Working in Health & Social Care
- Reflective practice



Examinations

To fulfil the requirements of the course the student will need to:

- Produce a portfolio of evidence.
- Complete an extended assessment.
- Partake in 75 hours of work experience in a related field.

Methods of teaching and learning

- Guided research
- Inquiry based learning
- Personalised and differentiated instruction
- Demonstration
- Flip Learning



Pupils learn about different values and beliefs. They understand the importance of caring for their own well-being and mental health and that of others.