



BTEC Health and Social Care Edexcel

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW OR BE ABLE TO DO BEFORE TAKING THIS COURSE?

BTEC Nationals offer the right blend of technical and academic skills to support students on the first steps to their chosen career. Students will apply their learning through practical assessments in the form of internally assessed assignments, externally assessed tasks and written examinations. An average points score of at least 4 will be required.

Students should have a love and passion about the health and social care sector. You should have an avid interest in human lifespan development and individual care and support needs. Students should be able to learn independently and research actively and methodically, and be able to give presentations and be an active member of a group. You should have effective writing skills and an ability to read technical texts, whilst being analytical.

WHAT WILL I LEARN ON THIS BTEC NATIONAL EXTENDED CERTIFICATE COURSE?

Learners will cover physical, intellectual, emotional and social development across the human lifespan and the factors affecting development and the effects of ageing. Students will develop a knowledge base of working with people in every stage of their lives, exploring key aspects of growth, development and human health. They will also focus on the principles and practicalities that underpin meeting individuals' care and support needs, which are the foundation of all the care disciplines.

Unit 1 Human Lifespan Development (External Examination 25%)

Students will develop their knowledge of the key aspects of growth and development, and the experience of health and wellbeing. They will learn about factors that can influence human growth and development and human health. Students will learn about the number of theories and models to explain and interpret behaviour throughout the different life stages.

Unit 2 Working in Health and Social Care (External Examination 33%)

Students will look at a range of roles and general responsibilities of people who work in health and social care environments. They will gain an understanding of what it is like to work in a health and social care setting, including the safety of, and safeguarding of individuals and their personal data and wellbeing.

Unit 5 Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs (Internal 25%)

Students will gain an understanding of the values and principles of meeting care and support needs and look at some of the ethical issues that arise. They will examine factors that can impact the professionals who provide the support and care and the challenges faced.

Unit 12 Supporting Individuals with Additional Needs (Internal 17%)

This unit focuses on how you can care for those with additional needs so that they can reach their full potential. Students will investigate the varying degrees of additional needs and how they can provide the support needed for the unique individual.

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