

BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Health and Social Care

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Department Information

We have an excellent team of subject teachers who are enthusiastic and able to guide you through the course, each with their own specialisms and interests.

Why study this course?

The BTEC course enables you to enhance your interpersonal skills, which in turn assists you in the production of coursework to a very high standard. Throughout the course you will undertake activities designed to enhance your knowledge and understanding of all aspects of health, education and working with people. Some will involve classroom activities and others will require you to undertake primary research into real organisations.

Aims of the course

Develop and sustain an interest in health, early years (care and education), social care and issues affecting the care sector:

- Develop skills that will enable you to make an effective contribution to the care sector including skills of research, evaluation and problem solving in a work related context
- Prepare you for further study and training

Course outline

You will undertake both coursework and exam units underpinned by work experience in a Health and Social Care setting.

Your vocational BTEC comprises of a number of subject units. Each unit has been researched and written to standards agreed by the QCA. These specifications highlight a range of subject topics that must be covered.

Each unit either assessed through your portfolio work or by an externally set examination. Although portfolio work is internally marked and moderated by the Health & Social Care team, final assessment and grading is awarded by the exam board.

- Two Units for the Single BTEC award undertaken in year 12 and 13, one assessed through an externally marked exam and one through internal assessed coursework.
- Two units for the Double BTEC award undertaken in year 12, both assessed through internally moderated coursework.
- Two units for the Double BTEC award undertaken in year 13, one assessed through an externally marked exam and one through internal assessed coursework.

How am I assessed?

Ongoing assessed reports

Observations in class and on placements

Coursework submission

End of topic tests

Final exams

Where does this course lead?

Entrance to a variety of University Courses as well as Apprenticeships in the HSC field.
Career related professions.