



A Level Health & Social Care (GCE Applied)

What do I need to know or be able to do before taking the course?

You don't have to have taken Health and Social Care before.

Several topics covered in the course are developments of work covered at BTEC Level 2/GCSE Health and Social care but others are new.



This qualification has an AS/A2 structure.

You can study for:

- A single Award AS GCE (3 Units) - equivalent to 1 AS in Year 12
- A single Award Advanced GCE (6 Units) - equivalent to 1 A Level in Year 13

What will I learn about on this course?

In the AS Units you will learn about:

1. Promoting quality care
2. Communication in care settings
3. Promoting good health



In the A2 Units you will learn about:

4. Care practice and provision
5. Research methods in H&SC
6. Understanding human behaviour

How will I be assessed?

- you will have written examinations in Units 1 and 6.
- each examination will last one and half hours.
- for all other units you will be assessed by coursework.
- for each assignment you could be awarded a grade A - E.



What courses or employment can I progress to at the end of my course?

The GCE in Health and Social Care qualifies for UCAS points so if you complete it successfully you could move on to study for a degree or Higher National Diplomas in related subjects.

Many students choose to use their qualifications to go straight into employment, rather than go on to higher education. Health and Social Care students develop transferable skills and the key skills that employers are looking for, which can lead to a very wide range of employment opportunities. This can include further training in such areas as Social Work, Care and Education.

Progression onto A Level Health & Social Care GCE Applied will require at least 5 GCSEs, or equivalent, at grade C or above. Please talk to the Head of Department if you are interested in this subject.