

Level 2 First Certificate in Health & Social Care

Ofsted Outstanding Provider

Course Level: Level 2

Campus: Stafford

Subject Type: Care, Education, Nursing & Midwifery

Course Overview:

Enter the rewarding field of health and social care with our Level 2 First Extended Certificate program. Delve into essential topics such as patient care, communication skills and safeguarding. Gain practical experience through placements in healthcare settings, nursing homes, or community centers. This comprehensive program equips you with the skills and knowledge needed for further study or entry-level roles in the healthcare industry. Whether you aspire to become a healthcare assistant, support worker, or care coordinator, this certificate is your pathway to success in the dynamic field of health and social care.

What's Covered:

The BTEC Level 2 Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care course is designed to give you the underpinning knowledge, understanding and skills that you will need to prepare for employment within a wide range of caring services. It also provides you with the opportunity to potentially progress onto the BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care or one of our T-LEVEL Pathways. The Level 2 course takes one year to complete. You will learn about many aspects of caring for others and may have the opportunity to carry out a week's work experience within a care setting towards the end of your course. This will enable you to put the learning you have gained in the classroom into practice in a relevant workplace. Modules include: health and social care values, effective communications, healthy living, promoting health and well-being, human body systems and care of disorders, equality and diversity in health and social care. The study programme will also incorporate a range of work related experience activities to ensure that you have the breadth of skills required to progress to further/higher education, employment or an apprenticeship. Alongside your course you will study maths and/or English to improve your skills in these vital subjects by attending structured weekly sessions as part of your timetable. Maths and English development is also integrated in practical assignments.

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Entry Requirements:

You will need 4 GCSEs at grade 3 or above. However, if you have a keen interest in the subject and commitment to succeed, your entry requirements will be discussed at your course discussion appointment.

Progress

to Level 3

Assessment Information:

There are two external examinations that will be completed during your course. You will be assessed using a variety of methods such as written course work, presentations, role play and practical observation. These will all count towards your final grade of Pass, Merit or Distinction.

Fees and Financial Support:

This course is free for anyone aged 16 – 18.

College Maintenance Allowance (CMA):

Anyone with a gross household income under £30,000 can receive financial support to cover college related costs such as transport, meals, course equipment and uniform. Bursary support is based on individual circumstances and will be allocated to best suit your individual needs. A range of other financial support is available depending on your personal circumstances. For more details visit nscg.ac.uk/finance

Progression:

On completion of the Level 2 course you can go on to study further by progressing to the Level Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care or T Level depending on final results. Alternatively you can choose to start an apprenticeship within a caring environment and continue to study with us on a part time basis. Advice and support is also offered from lecturers and the Young People's Service based within the college, on employment opportunities in the workplace.

What else do I need to know?

You will be supported on your course by a personal tutor who will meet with you regularly to discuss your targets. Throughout your course there will also be opportunities to get involved in extracurricular activities and organised trips that will support your learning. Many of our resources can be accessed both at college and from home using our intranet service and we also have a well-equipped Learning Resources Centre. You will be required to complete a number of block placements within a Health & Social Care setting. You will also need to complete a DBS check to ensure that you are suitable to work with vulnerable individuals.

How do I find out more?

If you wish to find out more you can contact Ellie Finch, Course Leader, by emailing: ellie.finch@nscg.ac.uk