

2019 to 2020

WILBERFORCE
sixth form college

BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Health and Social Care

Why should I study this course?

If you're a caring person and enjoy helping people, a career in Health and Social Care could be the one for you. On this course you will develop knowledge, understanding and skills to prepare you for employment in the Health and Social Care sector or progression to a higher level course. The BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Health and Social Care is a nationally recognised vocationally specific qualification and is equivalent to two GCSE's. Alongside this main qualification you will also study English and maths up to GCSE Grade 5/C, achieve an Employability Skills Passport and undertake work experience within our dedicated Health, Caring and Early Years environment. It is here that you will work in small teams and plan events and activities for use with visiting service users from different Residential and Nursing Homes. These interactive sessions, which take place on a weekly basis, are unique to Wilberforce College and provide you with 'hands-on' experiences with a range of different people and teach you the skills required to competently work in the health or social care sectors.

What will I study?

This is a one year course and you will study the following themes:

- Human Lifespan Development
- Health and Social Care Values
- Effective Communication
- Healthy Living
- Human Body Systems and Care of Disorders
- Creative and Therapeutic Activities

What are the entry requirements?

A minimum of two grade Ds at GCSE or a minimum of a Pass in one Level 2 BTEC or equivalent.

A clean DBS Certificate is necessary for working with vulnerable adults (within the College environment).

If you are interested in joining the College we will arrange a meeting with an experienced subject counsellor who will help you to choose courses that best suit your ambitions and achievements.

All entry requirement details are correct at the time of publication, September 2018, however, the College may need to make some changes by September 2019 in the light of student demand,

staff availability and external factors beyond the College's control.

How is the course assessed?

Currently the course is assessed through the completion of internally marked assessments and two externally marked paper-based exams. All units are graded as Pass, Merit or Distinction.

What will this course prepare me for?

- Develop your communication skills
- Learn how to create safe environments in health and social care
- Opens up many career paths and further study opportunities by providing you with unique opportunities to be involved in the planning, facilitating and care of older and vulnerable members of the community
- Develop your communication skills

Private Study

You will have coursework and independent research to complete during your study time.

What materials will I need to provide?

You will need to have an A4 ring binder/folder, notebook, pens and pencils.

Examination Board

Edexcel

What skills do I need?

The following skills are essential to be successful on this course:

- Good communication skills
- Hardworking
- Reliable
- Teamwork skills
- The ability to meet deadlines

How will I be taught?

A wide variety of teaching techniques will be used. You will be taught through a mixture of group activities, discussions, class lectures and practical activities.

BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Health and Social Care is for you if:

...you enjoy helping and working with people and you would like to develop your skills and qualifications to enable you to have a career in the health and social care sector.

"College is very different from school and it has helped me mature and get my head down whereas at school I never did!"

BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Health and Social Care is not for you if:

- Cannot interact with a range of people
- Cannot meet deadlines or have ambition and drive to achieve outstanding results
- Don't want to make a significant difference to people's lives
- Are not interested in working hard with teachers and peers and developing essential employability skills