



Health and Social Care Cambridge Technical Diploma (Equivalent to two A levels)

No of Units: 12

Awarding Board: OCR

Course Code: 5833

Unit Outline:

There is a choice of a possible 25 Units of which candidate must complete 12 Units or 720 Guided Learning Hours with a mixture of 90, 60 and 30 GLH Units.

Assessment:

The course is a mixture of coursework and external exams 100% (7 coursework units and 5 external examinations) The tasks range from written assignments and information posters, through to oral presentations. Units are graded Pass, Merit, Distinction and Distinction* (based on accrued points per unit)

Further Information:

The course is recognised by Universities and the grades achieved (Pass, Merit, Distinction and Distinction*) are given UCAS points equivalent to A level grades. The course counts as TWO A-level options and therefore is worth double UCAS points. The course has a number of attractions. There is a mixture of coursework and exams spread across the two years, to balance your workload. Coursework units are marked internally and then assessed by a visiting moderator. Some assignments will be written, whilst others will be based on information leaflets and posters. PowerPoint presentations also play a role in the course and the assessment process. There is practical work and the opportunity of work experience to supplement this course.

The course lends itself well to university work, with the nature of assignments and deadlines. The level of independent learning also benefits those wishing to attend university. The course has a balance of practical skills needed for anyone pursuing a career in health, social or child care settings.

In all, the course is a well-balanced introduction for those wishing to pursue a career in the health social or child care sector, whether through a university course or going straight into employment.

Trips:

There is the option to support the learning process with work experience as well as visits to a variety of care settings and visits from guest speakers.

'Destinations' of Former Students/Possible Career Links:

Students who achieve these awards will be prepared to enter a variety of HND or degree level courses in health, social and child care subjects or enter employment at trainee level within a wide range of health, social care and education settings: Nursing, Midwifery, Paramedics, also degrees in Health and Social Care, Primary and Nursery School teaching.

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