

Health and Social Care Level 3

OCR Cambridge Technical

Course Summary

This is the course for you if you want to develop your knowledge and understanding of health, social care and child care. It is equivalent to 1 A level (with the same UCAS points as 1 A level).

The units we study will give you an understanding of health, social care and child care and the different environments and settings where care takes place, the importance of effective communication in health and social care, the impact of nutrition on health and the development of a child from conception to the end of their first year of life. You will also develop transferable skills such as communication skills as well as research, planning and organisation.

This course can be taken alongside other Vocational Qualifications or A levels, such as Biology, Psychology, Sociology, and English.

Course Details

You will study six units made up of mandatory and optional units. Everybody will study the following mandatory units:

- Building positive relationships in health and social care (coursework)
- Equality, diversity and rights in health and social care (exam)
- Health, safety and security in health and social care (exam)
- Anatomy and physiology for health and social care (exam)

You will also study the following optional units:

- Nutrition for health (coursework)
- Psychology and Mental Health (coursework)

The combination of units is designed to have something for everyone – whether you are interested in a health, social care or child care route.

How will it be delivered and assessed?

The units you cover will be assessed through a combination of externally set exams and internally assessed coursework.

You are allowed to redraft coursework to improve the initial grade that you receive.

Coursework is internally marked and then an external moderator will visit school to confirm the marking.

You are allowed to re-sit the external exams twice. Exams can be taken in January and June.

Entry requirements

Your next steps...

This qualification isn't just about caring for babies or the elderly and the ill. The wide variety of units we study will provide you with the skills, knowledge and understanding of health, social care or early years. This will allow you to progress into Higher Education on a health and social care-related programme such as Teaching, Nursing, Social Work, Early Childhood Studies, Health and Social Care or into an apprenticeship or employment in an early years or health care setting.