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## Level 3 BTEC Health and Social Care

BTEC – EDEXCEL

## Level 3 BTEC Health and Social Care Course Overview

### Who is the course for?

The BTEC Level 3 National in Health and Social Care suite is a range of qualifications designed to provide innovative vocational learning for learners wanting to progress to higher education, an apprenticeship or employment. BTECs are accepted by over 150 UK universities either on their own or in combination with A levels.

### How will I be assessed?

You will be completing a mixture of units, some that are assessed externally via a written exam, one that is assessed via a controlled assessment and some that are assessed internally via written assignments. The course is demanding and learners need to have good literacy skills as the ability to work independently.

### What could I do after the course?

The Level 3 BTEC in Health and Social Care is valued by both employers and universities and on successful completion of the course you can progress into employment or on to a degree in Nursing, Midwifery, Early Childhood Studies or Primary Teaching.

### What else do I need to know?

We deliver two sizes of BTEC Level 3 National in Health and Social Care qualification, these are:

- 1) The **Extended Certificate** which is equivalent to **1 A level** and consists of 4 units, two of which are externally assessed written exams.
- 2) The **Extended Diploma** which is equivalent to **3 A levels** and consists of 13 units, 3 written exam units, 1 controlled assessment unit and the rest are assessed via written assignments. The Extended Diploma students also complete 100 hours of work experience.

### What will I be studying?

Health and social care practitioners need to develop a knowledge base for working with people in every stage of their lives, and they need to know how their own experiences relate to health and well-being. Learners will understand what it is like to work in the health and social care sector. You will research the responsibilities that workers need to understand and carry out. These include safeguarding individuals with health and social care needs, making sure that personal information is handled properly and preventing discrimination. You will also learn about working with people with specific needs, including ill health, learning disabilities, physical and sensory disabilities and the needs of people who occupy different age categories.

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### Entry Criteria

- 5 GCSEs at grade 4 and above, including English Language and Mathematics

## CFG6 Top Links to Expand your interest in Level 3 BTEC Health and Social Care

### TED talks

Here are a few suggestions but search for Health in the topics to get more.

- [When is a pandemic over? Alex Rosenthal details the three main strategies governments can use to contain and end a pandemic](#)
- [Why haven't we cured arthritis? What makes arthritis so pervasive, and why haven't we found a cure for it?](#)
- [Why do we itch? Have you ever pondered why we itch in the first place? Is there actually an evolutionary purpose to the itch, or is it simply there to annoy us?](#)

### Blogs

There are literally thousands of health and social care related blogs. The government blog all the time as do the BBC and loads of charities and focus groups. Just search for a topic you are interested in.

- [Credit where it's due](#)  
[Professional Care Workers' Week \(1-4 September\) happens every year. Although in its relative infancy, the events of the last few months have made these dedicated days of awareness raising more vital than ever.](#)
- [Sowers of seeds](#)  
[The whole job of a teacher is predicated on the hope that you will have some helpful effect on the individuals you teach, even if you will never know what.](#)
- [Building back better by focusing on health](#)  
[Emma Spencelayh explores the critical role councils play in ensuring the economic recovery also works to improve health.](#)

### Online MOOCS

MOOCS are Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) are free online courses available for anyone to enroll. MOOCs provide an affordable and flexible way to learn new skills and are ideal preparation to sixth form study. As well as the ones I have highlighted, just search for HSC courses on [Mooc.org](#)

- [COVID-19 & Society: Inequality in Global Pandemics](#)  
[What does COVID-19 teach us about ourselves, and about the societies we live in? How can we take care of one another and the planet during this unknown pandemic time? In this innovative and timely course, learn how coronavirus impacted social inequalities, and what we can do about it.](#)
- [Evolutionary Medicine: Microbes, Medicine, and Humanity's Quest for Survival](#)  
[Explore the complex relationships between people, pathogens, and our evolutionary past in the first MOOC on evolutionary medicine.](#)
- [Air pollution: causes and impacts](#)  
[This MOOC focuses on issues related to air quality. Learn the basics of air pollution and its environmental, health, social and economical effects to better understand and address this problem.](#)

### Wider reading links

- Go to your local library and get a book out! Cheaper for you and supports the local community. These are just a few of my favourites.
- The Colour of Bee Larkham's Murder: Sarah J. Harris  
If you want a book that reflects how someone on the autistic spectrum might experience everyday life then this is a good one. There is also the Boy Built of Blocks and The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time.  
ISBN-10 : 0008256373  
ISBN-13 : 978-0008256371
- Can You Hear Me?: An NHS Paramedic's Encounters with Life and Death: Jake Jones  
This is written by an NHS paramedic who has worked on the frontline of the ambulance service for over a decade. He has experience on double crewed ambulances and rapid response vehicles, and in the clinical assessment area of the control room.  
ISBN-10 : 1529404282  
ISBN-13 : 978-1529404289
- A Brief Introduction to Social Work Theory: David Howe  
This is the book that has been recommended to us for aspiring social workers to read. And it works as it gets our students in to study social work – which is very hard to do at 18!  
ISBN-10 : 9780230233126  
ISBN-13 : 978-0230233126
- TV documentaries: I also suggest watching any documentary on at the moment so 999 What's My emergency, 24 hours in A&E, Hospital.....

### The exam specification

We are with Pearson Edexcel and you will be studying either the 3 A Level Extended **Diploma** in Health and Social Care or the 1 A Level Extended **Certificate** in Health and Social Care alongside 2 other A levels.

## **CFG56 Alumni Destinations with Level 3 BTEC Health and Social Care**

[City, University of London - Adult Nursing](#)

[City, University of London - Children's Nursing](#)

[City, University of London - Criminology](#)

[City, University of London - Criminology and Psychology](#)

[City, University of London - Criminology and Sociology](#)

[City, University of London - Midwifery](#)

[City, University of London - Psychology](#)

[Goldsmiths - Criminology](#)

[Goldsmiths - Sociology](#)

[Goldsmiths - Sociology with Criminology](#)

[King's College London - Nursing with registration as Adult Nurse](#)

[King's College London - Nursing with registration as Children's Nurse](#)

[King's College London - English](#)

[King's College London - Liberal Arts](#)

[King's College London - Psychology](#)

[London School of Economics and Political Science \(LSE\) - Anthropology and Law](#)

[London South Bank University - Education Studies](#)

[London South Bank University - Occupational Therapy](#)

[Middlesex University London - Early Childhood Studies](#)

[Middlesex University London - Primary Education with QTS](#)

[Middlesex University London - Social Work](#)

[Open University - Youth Education](#)

[Queen Mary University of London - History](#)

[SOAS University of London - Arabic](#)

[University of Greenwich - Computer Science \(Cyber Security\)](#)

[University College London - Population Health Sciences](#)

[University College London - Social Sciences](#)

[University of Bedfordshire - Health & Social Care](#)

[University of Cumbria \(London\) - Primary and Early Years Education \(3-11\) with QTS](#)

[University of East Anglia - Speech and Language Therapy](#)

[University of East London - Child Psychology](#)

[University of East London - Criminology and Psychology](#)

[University of East London - Early Childhood Studies](#)

[University of East London - Education Studies](#)

[University of East London - Forensic Psychology](#)

[University of East London - Professional Policing](#)

[University of East London - Psychology](#)

[University of Greenwich - Early Years](#)

[University of Greenwich - Law](#)

[University of Greenwich - Primary Education 2 year accelerated](#)

[University of Greenwich - Psychology](#)

[University of Greenwich - Psychology with Counselling](#)

[University of Greenwich - Social Work](#)

[University of Oxford - Law](#)

[University of Westminster - Criminology](#)

[University of Westminster - Psychology](#)

**Alternatives to HE**

Apprenticeship as Teaching Assistant

Apprenticeship in Childcare

Apprenticeship in Dental Nursing

Apprenticeship in Nursing

Employed as a Teaching Assistant

Employed at a school in Pakistan

Employment in Hospitality & Catering

Islamic Online University - Islamic Studies

Stratford College - International English course