

## What is Health and Social Care?

Health and social care is the study of the treatment of ill health and medical conditions in hospitals, health centres and in the community. Social care is the care and support of vulnerable people, usually in the community.

## Why students choose this course

- Gain an insight into human life span and development.
- Understand physical, intellectual, emotional and social development across the lifestages.
- Evaluate theories which can be applied to health and social care sector.
- Gain an insight of the roles and responsibilities of practitioners of health and social care.
- Explore the roles of general practitioner, health care worker, midwives, social workers and many more.
- Empower yourself to make informed decisions about your future career.

## What the course covers

Students can choose to study Health and Social Care as a single (1 A-level equivalent), double (2 A-level equivalent) or triple (3 A-level equivalent) award.

### Single Award

Year 1

- Unit 1 Human life span and development
- Unit 2 Working in health and social care

Year 2

- Unit 5 Meeting individuals care and support needs
- Unit 14 Physiological disorder and care

### Double Award

Year 1

- Unit 4 Enquiries into current research in health and social care
- Unit 7 Principles of safe practice in health and social care

Year 2

- Unit 8 Promoting public health
- Unit 19 Nutritional health

### Triple Award

Year 1

- Unit 3 Anatomy and physiology for health and social care
- Unit 6 Work experience in health and social care

Year 2

- Unit 20 Understanding mental well being
- Unit 17 Caring for individuals with dementia
- Unit 18 Assessing children's development support needs

The complete specification can be found on the exam board website: <https://qualifications.pearson.com>.

## What students can do with this course

The triple award qualification is a two-year study programme of learning and is equivalent to three A Levels, meaning that learners will be fully prepared for a range of health and social care degree programmes.

The qualification is intended to carry UCAS points and is recognised by higher education providers as contributing to meeting admission requirements to many relevant courses:

BSc (Hons) in Nursing  
BA (Hons) in Social Work  
BSc (Hons) in Physiotherapy  
BSc (Hons) in Occupational Therapy  
BSc (Hons) in Speech Therapy  
BA (Hons) in Health and Social Care

## How this course is assessed

**The following units are assessed through external examination:**

Unit 1 Human life span and development  
Unit 2 Working in health and social care  
Unit 3 Anatomy and physiology for health and social care  
Unit 4 Enquiries into current research in health and social care  
All other units are assessed internally through controlled assessment.

## Entry requirements

All our course entry requirements are detailed in the Entry Requirements document located in the admissions section of our website.

## Further Reading

Pearson BTEC National Health and Social Care, Student Book 1  
Life Span Human Development by Carol K. Sigelman and Elizabeth A. Rider

## Student Profile:



Before Sixth Form, Jawairiya was a student at Queensbury. She studied BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care and gained grades D\*, D\*, D\*. She left us to study Midwifery at Leeds University.

**“ Learning the Anatomy of the Human Body has provided me with scientific knowledge I can use to better understand the functions of the body. Additionally, completing work placements has prepared me with skills for everyday life; which I can use when starting Midwifery at the University of Leeds!**

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