



## Course Requirements

GCSE English Language - Grade 4

## Syllabus

Edexcel

## Who to Contact

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## Overview

Health and Social Care is the study of different needs that people may have throughout their lives and why they may need support to enable them to achieve their potential. How can they best be supported? How can people working in Health and Social Care help them? You will examine issues which affect the nature and quality of human life including an appreciation of diversity and cultural issues, and, through a problem-solving approach, become an effective and independent learner.

The BTEC course will equip you with an understanding of the Health and Social Care sector and prepare you to work in this sector in the future. You will learn the skills and qualities required by Health and Social Care practitioners and the different types of job activities performed by them. You will gain an overview of Human Lifespan Development and develop an understanding of the type of work undertaken in Health and Social Care. You will also examine Psychological Perspectives of Human Development. You will be examined through a combination of exams and a synoptic coursework assessment drawing on knowledge from all modules.

You will study Health and Social Care through a range of approaches such as practical, hands-on activities, group work, research tasks and written work.

The BTEC National is designed to prepare students to work in the Health and Social Care sector and gain a broad understanding of what this type of work involves. The course is therefore ideal if you are considering a career in Health and Social Care, for example Nursing, Physiotherapy or Social Work (amongst others).

The course also combines well with many other subjects including Biology, Psychology and Sociology if you are considering any career that involves working with people.

## Structure

Externally Assessed Units (Exam-based):

Human Lifespan Development

- You will learn about physical, intellectual, emotional and social development across the human lifespan, the factors affecting development and the effects of ageing. You will also learn about major theories of human development.

Working in Health and Social Care

- You will explore what it is like to work in the Health and Social Care sector, including the roles and responsibilities of workers and organisations.

Internally Assessed Units (Coursework):

Psychological Perspectives

- You will explore key theoretical perspectives that have been put forward on psychological and physical development and how they are applied in different health and social care settings.

Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs (Synoptic)

- You will focus on the principles and practicalities that underpin meeting individuals' care and support needs, which are the foundation of all the care disciplines.

## Assessment

You will be assessed through a combination of exams (externally assessed units) and coursework (internally assessed units). The exam units add to the rigour of the BTEC qualification and enable employers/higher education providers to see the range of knowledge that you have gained throughout the course. The coursework units allow Health & Social Care topics to be studied in-depth. The synoptic unit (Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs) will draw on knowledge gained from the three other units.