

LEVEL 3 HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Why choose Level 3 Health and Social Care?

WJEC Applied Certificates and Diplomas are Level 3 qualifications designed for 16-19-year-old learners, and offer you exciting and interesting experiences that focus your learning through application, i.e. the acquisition of knowledge and understanding in purposeful contexts linked to a sector or subject area. Applied Certificates and Diplomas are characterised by:

- clearly structured content and straightforward assessment criteria
- high quality resources
- questions and tasks designed to enable you to demonstrate what you know, understand and can do

What will I study?

These qualifications are built on a firm foundation of knowledge and understanding of practitioner roles and values, set within contemporary, sector-specific contexts. They include a breadth and depth of learning, including the underpinning of core values within the sectors, in addition to the relationships between contemporary policies and service provision and the impact of financial challenges on service provision in the UK.

Certificate (two mandatory units)

Unit 1: (Contemporary) Issues in Health and Social Care

In this unit, the aim is for you to understand current, contemporary issues in health and social care. This unit is assessed by external assessment – an examination

Unit 2: Core Values and Services

In this unit, the aim is for you to understand and be able to explain how services and practitioners meet individual needs. This unit is assessed by a non-examination assessment (NEA)

Diploma (four units: three mandatory units and one optional)

Units 1 and 2 as above, plus:

EITHER:

Unit 3: Explain how services and practitioners meet individual needs

In this optional unit, the aim is for you to understand the work of practitioners, including their main roles, responsibilities and qualifications, and the organisations within which practitioners work, and to carry out research, investigating local views on services. This unit is assessed by a non-examination assessment (NEA)

OR:

Unit 4: Experience of Disease, Illness and Disability

In this optional unit, the aim is for you to: understand the causes, signs, symptoms, diagnostic procedures and treatments of common diseases, illnesses and disabilities; understand safeguarding procedures for both practitioners and service; and to carry out research, investigating local views on services. This unit is assessed by a non-examination assessment (NEA)

Unit 5: Human Behaviour and Development

In this mandatory unit, the aim is for you to evaluate psychological theories of human behaviour and development, and to apply psychological theories, strategies and treatment in a range of care settings. This unit is assessed by an external assessment – an examination



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What skills will I develop?

By studying Level 3 Health and Social Care, you will be able to gain essential employability skills that are valued by employers, further and higher education, including:

- literacy and numeracy
- digital literacy
- critical thinking and problem solving
- planning and organisation
- creativity and innovation
- personal effectiveness

How will I be assessed?

Certificate

Unit 1: (Contemporary) Issues in Health and Social Care will be assessed through a written examination.

- 1 hour and 30 minutes
- 50% of certificate (25% of diploma)
- 80 marks
- either taken on-screen or as a written paper
- includes a range of question types
- all questions are compulsory
- available every summer series

Unit 2: Core Values and Services will be assessed through non-examination assessment (NEA): this work will be completed under specific conditions, marked by your teacher, externally moderated by WJEC.

- 10 hours
- 50% of certificate (25% of diploma)
- 102 marks

Diploma

Units 1 and 2, plus:

EITHER:

Unit 3: Explain how services and practitioners meet individual needs will be assessed through non-examination assessment (NEA): this work will be completed under specific conditions marked by your teacher, externally moderated by WJEC.

- 15 hours
- 25% of certificate (12.5% of diploma)
- 102 marks

OR:

Unit 4: Experience of Disease, Illness and Disability will be assessed through non-examination assessment (NEA): this work will be completed under specific conditions marked by your teacher, externally moderated by WJEC.

- 15 hours
- 25% of certificate (12.5% of diploma)
- 102 marks

Unit 5: Human Behaviour and Development will be assessed through a written examination.

- 1 hour and 30 minutes
- 50% of certificate (25% of diploma)
- 75 marks
- either taken on-screen or as a written paper
- will include a range of question types
- all questions are compulsory
- available every summer series

Careers with Level 3 Health and Social Care

The WJEC Applied Health and Social Care qualifications for England are designed to provide you with underpinning knowledge, understanding and skills of the health and social care sectors, providing a broad basis for further or higher education or for moving into employment within the sectors.