

COURSE INFORMATION



University
Centre
Somerset

Part of Bridgwater & Taunton College

Foundation Degree Health & Social Care

Subject:	Please Select
Type:	Please Select
Course Code:	APH312T/HM1
Attendance:	Full Time
Location:	Taunton
Awarding body:	The Open University

Description

Whether experienced in the health and social care sector or not, this popular Foundation Degree will develop your skills and knowledge of social care through a blend of work-based learning and classroom teaching. This course provides you with a sound and critical understanding of health and social care policy, theory and practice, as well as the skills you need for effective practice in a diverse, multidisciplinary environment. You will also learn how ethical, legal, social, economic and political factors influence the provision and development of services.

There are two pathways for this course: a Practitioner Pathway and a Non-Practitioner Pathway. Your choice will be dictated by whether you are already working within a health & social care setting and whether you already possess a vocationally related qualification. In Year 2 you will be assessed against the National Occupational Standards, culminating in the achievement of a Level 3 Diploma in Health & Social Care. If you already possess a Level 3 vocationally-related qualification you will be able to undertake alternative CPD units.

The modules studied may include:

- Interpersonal Skills and Communication Strategies
- Applied Human Development
- Values, Morals and Ethics
- Managing Care Settings
- Mental Health and Wellbeing

Read the Course Handbook [here](#).

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Teaching and Assessment

Assessment is largely via coursework, tests of knowledge and understanding and written assignments – reflective essays, project reports, and presentations. Teaching sessions take the form of short lectures, supervised discussions, small group work and guest speakers.

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Career Progression

On completion of the Foundation Degree you may decide to top-up to the full BA (Hons) at University Centre Somerset. Alternatively, the qualification will open up a variety of career paths in the health and social care sectors and give you the potential to work in a managerial or supervisory capacity.

Entry Requirements

Typically entrants will possess:• 64 UCAS points at AS/A2 Level (minimum 32 points at A2 level)OR• BTEC Qualifications (QCF) MPP (Extended), MM (Diploma), DM (90 Credit Diploma)OR• Access to HE course in a relevant subject area

You will be required to undergo a Disclosure and Barring Service check prior to commencing any work placement.

Costs

£8200