



Health & Social Care: **BTEC First Certificate / Diploma in Care**

Qualification

BTEC / Edexcel

Attendance

You will normally attend on 3 days each week. 3 days and 1 day in work placement

Duration

1 year

Description of the Course

The BTEC First Certificate / Diploma is designed to encourage you to develop the personal skills and qualities you need for work, learning and to help you to achieve your full potential. This is a practical 'hands on' programme with each one taught in the context of real jobs and careers in a chosen vocational sector. This gives you the chance to explore the opportunities offered in the sector, and to acquire appropriate vocational skills.

Course content

You will study Nine Units from the following:

Three Core Units

- Communication and Rights
- Supporting Health, Safety and Wellbeing
- Understanding Cultural Diversity (assessed via an Integrated Vocational Assignment or IVA)

Three from Specialist Units

- Investigating Vocational experience
- Understanding Body Systems
- Life Span Development
- Therapeutic and Creative Activities
- Health and Social Care Services
- Influences on Health

You will also have the opportunity to develop your communication, numeracy and IT skills and to undertake work experience placements with such groups as elderly people, young children or those with learning difficulties and disabilities. It may also be possible to take GCSE in Maths or English to improve your grade.

Assessment

Coursework assignments, practical projects.

Who is the course for?

A course for school leavers who would like to learn more about the skills and knowledge required for a career in health, social care or child care.

Entry requirements

An average of Grade D for 3 or more GCSEs, including English or you will have successfully completed a level 1 programme. You may also be asked to demonstrate your commitment and skills in an interview. If you don't have

the required entry qualifications there will be an opportunity for you to demonstrate your abilities to undertake the course.

What can I do after this course?

BTEC National Certificate / Diploma in Health and Social Care / GCSE 'A' Levels, Diploma in Nursery Nursing (DCE), or employment with further training.

Other information

Additional requirements

Students should be aware that in order to attend mandatory work placements they will be required to complete a CRB (Criminal Records Bureau) check.

Enrichment Activities

Part of your planned programme of study at Carshalton College gives you the opportunity to take part in an enrichment activity. These activities are designed to help with your personal development and should be treated as a very important part of your studies.

Additional Qualifications

Available Community Sports Leader's Award GCSE resits

Cost

Tuition Fee £615

Exam Fee £115

CRB Check £36

Registration £30.75

Additional costs

There will be a charge of Approx-£36 for the CRB (Criminal Records Bureau) check, which will be taken at enrollment. Some additional travel costs to placements may be incurred.

Start

September 2009

Course Code

CD1006