Professional Practice in Health and Social Care Foundation Degree FdSc
Healthcare Sciences

Course Specification

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Entry Requirements

48 UCAS points from one of the following:

- Access to HE Diploma from a QAA recognised Access to HE course
- A Levels, AS Levels, CACHE qualifications, BTEC Diplomas and other Level 3 qualifications will be considered with related work experience

Plus

- Normally GCSE English Language or English Literature and mathematics at grade C or above or equivalents (please see below)

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- Level 2 Adult Numeracy /Literacy
- Level 2 Key Skills /Application of Number
- Equivalency test from www.equivalencytesting.co.uk [http://www.equivalencytesting.co.uk/]

Personal qualities

- You must be able to demonstrate your potential to be caring and compassionate and the ability to develop meaningful relationships with service users and carers.

You will also need

- Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) [https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/disclosure-and-barring-service] clearance to enable you to undertake placements in settings with children and vulnerable adults.
- Occupational health screening (to determine your suitability to undertake the course). DBS and occupational health screening will be requested at your expense.
Overview

This flexible foundation degree is a work based learning award which combines health and social care education with either existing employment or work placements to develop your skills and competencies for a wide range of roles across health, social or community care sectors.

The course, which is an award of Sheffield Hallam University, has two routes. For those already employed in assistant or support worker roles in health, social or community care the course allows you to complete both the Higher Apprenticeship in Health (Assistant Practitioner) and the Foundation Degree. The course provides you with your continuing personal and professional development and depending on your employer, would allow you to undertake a Band 4 Associate/Assistant role.

For those of you who are not in employment the course will provide you with a placement in a suitable health, social or community care role, which will allow you to develop the necessary skills and competencies alongside your academic studies to complete the Foundation Degree

How long is the course?

This course runs for two years.

What qualification will I achieve?

Foundation Degree in Professional Practice in Health and Social Care

What will I study?

Modules*

Year 1:

- Work-based learning-academic (20 Credits)
- Work-based learning-practice (20 Credits)
- Reflective & personal development skills (20 Credits)
- Essential sciences for person centred care (40 Credits)
- Integrated holistic assessment and delivery of health and social care interventions (20 Credits)

Year 2:

- Work based learning-academic (20 Credits)
- Work-based learning-practice (20 Credits)
- Promoting health, wellbeing and independence (40 Credits)
- Using and evaluating evidence to inform practice (20 Credits)
- Leadership and management. (20 Credits)

The evidence for the work based learning modules in Year 1 and 2 will be sought from a suitable health, social or community role from either existing employment or a work placement.

*Any changes to these modules will be listed on our updates page [https://universitycampus.barnsley.ac.uk/about/updates-to-ucb-information/].
Also available as a Level 5 Higher Apprenticeship – Assistant Practitioner (Health). To be eligible to apply you should be employed in a suitable health, social care or community setting and work enough hours each week so that you undertake sufficient, regular training and on-the-job activity (e.g. 30+ hours per week). The Higher Apprenticeship is funded by your employer and therefore your employer must also approve your application. The course will deliver against the nationally recognised Healthcare Assistant Practitioner Apprenticeship Standard [https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/healthcare-assistant-practitioner]. For further details please call us on +44 (0)1226 216 123.

Where will I study?

You will study at Barnsley College Higher Education, Church Street, Barnsley, S70 2AN.

What equipment will I need?

You will need writing materials, paper, pens and folders.

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed by completing a variety of appropriate assessments. These include; Assessments of practice, reflective portfolios, written assignments, literature reviews, case studies, presentations and interviews.

What can I do next?

Examples of future job roles following the completion of the course are as follows;

Clinical Support Worker
Family Support Worker
Social Care Manager
Rehabilitation Assistant

On successfully completing your Foundation Degree, you could study a BSc (Hons) in Health and Social Care Studies (top-up), taught at the validating university.

How do I apply?

For the Foundation Degree apply directly via UCAS [https://www.ucas.com/students]. Please call us on +44 (0)1226 216 123 if you require more advice on applying via the Higher Apprenticeship route.

How much does the course cost?

Course fees: £5,995 per year.

Student Finance
As a Higher Education student living in England you may be eligible for the non-means tested Tuition Fee Loan from the Government. See the Fees and Finance [https://universitycampus.barnsley.ac.uk/study-at-ucb/fees-finance/] page for further information.

Disability and Dyslexia Service

Our Disability and Dyslexia Service [https://universitycampus.barnsley.ac.uk/life-at-ucb/disability-and-dyslexia-service/] can provide you with the support you need

Further information

For further information please contact our Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email info@barnsley.ac.uk

Any changes to the information on this page can be found on the Updates to Barnsley College Higher Education Information [https://universitycampus.barnsley.ac.uk/about/updates-to-bc-he-information/] page is an award of Sheffield Hallam University [https://www.shu.ac.uk/]

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