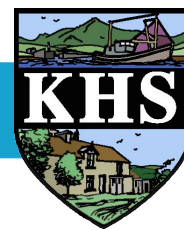


Overview

In this subject students will gain a broad understanding of health, social care and early years, as well as developing skills, knowledge and understanding linked to the sector. Students will have an opportunity to apply learning in a practical and realistic way and follow a programme of study that enables progression. Health and Social Care is a broad, stimulating, relevant and interesting subject.

AS LEVEL

Unit	Content	Assessment
AS1: Promoting Quality Care	In this unit you investigate how care workers apply the values of care on a daily basis with service users. You also develop an understanding of how legislation impacts on the quality of care delivered in the setting. This unit also focuses on policies, and you will evaluate the effectiveness of policies in promoting quality care.	Internally Assessed 25% of AS 10% of A Level
AS2: Communication in Health & Social Care & Early Years settings	In this unit you will develop knowledge of the different types of communication used in settings and their purpose. You will also study how a range of factors may support effective communication with service users. You have the opportunity to investigate how barriers to communication with service users can be overcome.	Internally Assessed 25% of AS 10% of A Level
AS3: Health & Well-being	In this examined unit you learn about key concepts of health and well-being and the impact of ill health. You will study the various approaches used in health promotion, as well as organisations that contribute, along with the impact of discrimination on health and well-being.	Externally Assessed 25% of AS 10% of A Level 2 Hour Written Paper



A LEVEL

Unit	Content	Assessment
A22: Body Systems & Physiological Disorders	In this unit you examine the circulatory and respiratory systems. You research a physiological disorder and write a report in which you describe the methods used to diagnose the disorder, discuss the treatments available, the care pathways and the practitioners involved. You also analyse the possible effects of the disorder on individuals.	Internally Assessed 15% of A Level
A25: Supporting the Family	This unit provides you with the opportunity to consider the changing family structures in today's society. You also develop an understanding of a range of factors that influence family life and investigate the services available to families and the support they provide.	Internally Assessed 15% of A Level
A23: Providing Services	This examined unit based on pre-release material provides you with an overview of service provision in health, social care and early year's. It gives you an opportunity to examine how policy and legislation influence the provision of care services, for a range of service users.	Externally Assessed 30% of A2 2 hour written paper

Careers

This is an ideal course for students who want a broad background in health and social care. Many students with a qualification in GCE Health and Social Care go on to degree-level study in a variety of subjects such as health related studies, social science, social studies, psychology, child care, health promotion, community care, nursing and/or social work. Other students go on to complete Level 5 qualifications in courses such as Health and Social Care. Some students go straight into employment in the fields of health and social care and early years.