

## Access to Higher Education – Allied Health Professions



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Subject Area	Health & Social Care
Course Type	Access to Higher Education
Study Level	Level 3
Delivery Mode	Full-time
Location	David Hockney Building
Duration	1 Year
Start Date	September 2025
Course Code	PA000344

### Course Summary

Are you ready to pursue a rewarding career in the healthcare sector? The Access to HE: Allied Health Professionals course is designed to provide you with the knowledge and practical skills you need to succeed in this dynamic and impactful field. Whether you're aiming to work in physiotherapy, occupational therapy, radiography, or other allied health professions, this course offers a comprehensive pathway to higher education and beyond.

Throughout the course, you'll study a variety of modules that combine theory, practical skills, and professional practice. These modules will support your understanding of the human body, healthcare systems, and the essential skills needed for a successful career in allied health.

From this pathway, you may progress onto a degree in Operating Department Practice, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Paramedic Science, Radiography or other health-related degrees. If you are interested in Nursing and Midwifery, please take a look at

## What You Will Learn

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You will develop skills in:

- Independent Research
- Referencing (Harvard)
- Critical Thinking and Evaluative Skills
- Word Processing (including the use of footnotes)
- Time Management
- ILT (Information and Learning Technology – including the use of Virtual Learning Environments and the library online)
- Solving or Offering Solutions to problems

## Modules

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You will also undertake modules specifically to support your vocational area of study and research projects:

- Introduction to Cell Biology
- Homeostasis, Co-ordination and Control of the Excretory System
- Carrying out a Practical Investigation (Biology)
- Biomolecules and Key Biochemical Principles
- Cardiovascular, Respiratory and Gastro-intestinal Systems
- Anatomy and Physiology of the Human Skeleton and Muscles
- Introduction to Professional Healthcare Service and Practice
- Principles of Safeguarding in Health and Social Care
- Research Project (Professional Healthcare Practice)
- Social and Community Welfare Provision
- Preparing to Progress
- ICT – Presentation Software
- Developing Skills for Studying
- Effective Communication in Health and Social Care

All the Units within the Access courses are compulsory. Credits are awarded to you when you have successfully completed a Unit. All courses contain Units of Academic Preparation Skills.

## Entry Requirements

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Entry to this course requires GCSE English Language, Maths and Science at a grade 4 or C. Dependent upon your progression route, level 2 qualifications may be accepted.

You are at least 19 years old on 1st September.

You must make sure your Maths and English qualifications are accepted for the degree course you want to progress onto after completing the Access Diploma.

Induction for this course will begin at the start of September.

## Progression

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Successful completion of this course can lead to university study, this qualification is well established and widely accepted by universities. You may choose to progress into careers in the health industry.

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