

# **Nursing - Level 3 Access to Higher Education Diploma**

The Access to Higher Education Diploma (Nursing) is a Level 3 qualification which prepares adult learners without traditional qualifications to study Nursing at university.

The qualification gives you the relevant academic subject knowledge needed for higher education study, and the opportunity to develop study skills to help you to succeed. Access Diplomas are well-established and widely accepted by universities, qualifying for UCAS tariff points that are comparable to the tariff points for three A levels.

This particular course will provide you with the foundation knowledge of a range of healthcare professions, including Mental Health, Adult, and Child Nursing, Midwifery, and other related degrees. You will learn important study skills relevant to science, including undertaking effective research, collecting and analysing scientific data and writing experiment reports and essays. Additional modules will help you develop your study and research skills and assist with your personal development for further study.

## **WHAT WILL I STUDY?**

You will study modules including:

- The Role of the Health or Social Care Professional
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Cells
- Genes and inheritance
- Human Tissues and Systems
- Communication Skills in a Professional Setting
- Ethical Dilemmas
- Mental Health Conditions
- Arithmetic Skills for Health Studies

## **WHAT WILL I NEED?**

You will need to:

- Be aged 19 or older

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- Have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above (A\* - C), including GCSE English, GCSE Maths and GCSE Science (Double Award)
- Have at least 2 weeks of relevant work experience
- Attend an interview to confirm that the course is suitable for you

## HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

This course is assessed through coursework assignments, tests and examinations throughout the course, which are set and marked by your teachers and externally moderated by OCN London. Assessment is continuous over the whole year and is based on a number of set pieces of work such as essays, projects, presentations and tests.

## WHAT WILL IT COST?

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If you will be aged 19 to 23 prior to the start date of your course, and do not already have a full Level 3 qualification, you may be eligible for a Level 3 entitlement, in which case your study with us will be free. Otherwise, you will have to pay the fees yourself or apply for an [Advanced Learner Loan](#).

Please see [here](#) for the documents you will need to show us.

Some courses will have other associated costs, such as for specialist materials and trips. Many of our students are eligible for financial support, see [here](#) for details.

## WHAT CAN I DO AFTER?

Learners primarily progress to Higher Education study in areas related to Health Sciences. These may include some of the following areas of Degree level study:

- Adult Nursing
- Child Nursing
- Mental Health Nursing
- Midwifery
- Health Promotion
- Public Health
- Occupational Therapy
- Related Science Degrees

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