

The School of Health and Social Care

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	Executive Diploma in Care (National Vocational Qualification Level 2/3)
Who is this course for?	<p>Introduction</p> <p>A nationally and internationally recognised and flexible qualification that enables candidates to gain the practical skills needed to be an effective care worker. It increases candidate's confidence, personal growth and development that provide an excellent employability in the field of Health & Social Care –a best sector of Employment in the UK, Europe, USA and rest of the western world.</p> <p>Why UK?</p> <p>Recent figures state that there are nearly 70,000 full and part-time care staff employed in local authorities in England alone. It is likely that demand for care services will grow because of the increasing ageing population and the continuing shift towards care in the community.</p> <p>With 95,000 people every year requiring long term care for the first time, residential or nursing homes with round the clock support from caring staff have become the choice of care for many.</p> <p>Studying this course in the UK can create a chance for employment in the Health and Social Care Sector. Regulations within the Social care sector already require staff to hold care qualifications with the NVQ being the most widely recognised for those without a full Nursing Qualification. There is also indication that the same regulations will be introduced into the Health Care sector in the future.</p> <p>There are very high employment prospects within this rapidly growing sector in the UK economy. Many leading recruitment agencies have recognised the need to attract workers from overseas to meet the shortfall of recruits within the UK.</p> <p>Who is this course for?</p> <p>For students seeking careers in the Health and Social Care Industries at local, national and international levels. Students may progress to careers in social work, residential and day care, nursing and other careers in health and social care. This course can lead to employment in :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Residential Care Homes ● Community Support Workers ● Housing and Supported Accommodation ● Hospitals and Primary Care Trusts ● Day Services for those with physical disabilities, mental illness and learning disabilities.
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- Residential homes for older people

This course provides the qualification required for direct care and front-line staff working in these areas. Students will receive educational support as well as support from academic staff who are experienced health and social care professionals.

How long is the course?

1 year full-time and comprises two phases based upon the College's academic semester pattern.

Phase 1: Comprising college based theoretical and practical based studies in care work as well as the opportunity to improve communication and information technology skills. During Phase 1 students will also find out how to prepare a portfolio which will be used for assessment of practice during Phase 2.

Phase 2: This phase will be workplace based and students will be placed with employers within the care sector. The College will be responsible for arranging these placements. Students will continue to get guidance from their College Tutor as well as being assessed for practical skills by an approved workplace assessor provided by the college. Students will also receive guidance on job seeking skills and receive up to four guaranteed interviews (not guaranteed jobs since employment will depend upon many factors including skills, attitude, etc.).

During both phases students will be able to work for up to 20 hours per week in order to financially support their studies. This may be in the same setting as their Phase 2 practice or in other care settings. The College will provide lists of suitable places for employment including Care Sector Employment Agencies.

When does the course start?

The course starts four times – February, May, September and November of each year.

What do I need? (Qualifications and Experience)

Candidates must be committed, enthusiastic, motivated and be able to work on their own and as part of a team.

You will also need to complete a satisfactory interview and demonstrate a strong commitment to succeed. Applications from mature candidates are welcomed.

A Criminal Records Bureau check is required of students entering this course.

Local Students

Candidates will need to be able to communicate effectively both through spoken and written word. Where additional support is required candidates will need to be prepared to attend local colleges to gain these skills.

International Students:

Care requires very good communication skills since many service users themselves have

communication difficulties. For this course it is essential that applicants must have a good standard of spoken and written English with fairly clear accent.

Formal qualifications are not required for entry to the course however experience of working with others in a care setting is desirable but not essential. Students who have completed their Higher (Senior) Secondary Education are eligible to apply for this course.

English Language Requirements: IELTS with minimum 6.00 grade.

English Language Support

Prior to study

The College offers 'Pre-sessional preparatory English tuition' to help students with a low level of English to achieve their academic and professional goals by providing a high level of fluency and expression in the English language. There is an exam at the end of the English Tuition course. A good pass in the exam is sufficient evidence for admissions that you are ready for college study and you do not need to sit external exams such as IELTS or TOEFL.

During the Study

The College offers English Language Courses to international students to support their studies and to improve their English language skills at affordable fees. Students on full-time courses whose English requires improvement, are encouraged to attend Language classes while continuing with their studies.

Programme Contents

Mandatory Units

- Communicate with and complete records for Individuals
- Support the health and safety of yourself and Individuals
- Develop your knowledge and practice
- Ensure your own actions support the care protection and well being of others

Selected Optional Units (please select 2 out of the following seven)

- Receive and pass on messages and information
- Contribute to the effectiveness of teams
- Support Individuals with their personal care needs
- Help individuals to eat and drink
- Help Individuals to keep mobile
- Help address the physical comfort needs of individuals
- Undertake agreed pressure area care

Students will be expected to participate fully in all elements of the course and complete to time schedules assignment work given by tutors out with the 18 hours classroom work.

Phase 2 Programme

During this phase students will be located within Care Sector settings during which practice will be assessed. Tutorial Support will continue from Phase 1 throughout Phase 2.

How will I be assessed?

Learning and knowledge will be assessed by professional tutors with experience in teaching the subjects and with professional care experience. Tutors will set assignments which will be used to support the full NVQ Care Level 2 assessment and provide evidence of a good knowledge base in care related subjects.

Care Practice will be assessed by fully approved and qualified Workplace Assessors. This assessment will be carried out during Phase 2 and occur within the placement workplace. Students will be expected to build up a Portfolio of Evidence which requires writing reports about their practice, answering written and oral questions and other written material. Records of Directly Observed Practice will be supplied by the Workplace Assessor for inclusion in the Student's Portfolio.

Final Assessment and presentation for the NVQ Care Level 2 Award will depend upon successful completion of the Portfolio to the standard accepted by the Qualifications Curriculum Authority covering the required components.

What will I achieve?

On completion of the course you will receive a prestigious industry recognised qualification, the 'National Vocational Qualification in Care Level 2/3' & 'Executive Diploma in Care' from the College. In addition to that, you will achieve:

- Practical experience of working in the UK Home Care Centres.
- You will also have the opportunity to take other qualifications such as:
- First Aid at Work Certificate
- Basic Food Hygiene Certificate
- Basic Health and Safety Certificate

Awarding Body: Edexcel is the leading provider of vocational and higher qualifications offering in the United Kingdom, recognised for their quality and are valued by employers in every sector of business.

What else will I achieve?

- You will gain the opportunity to improve your written and spoken English language skills through interaction with native English speakers
- Gain knowledge about interview skills including preparing an active CV.
- Develop confidence and raise self esteem
- Gain study skills and familiarity with the UK training and education structure which will enhance your opportunities for

- moving on to higher level courses in the UK.
- Hold qualification which is highly praised in the care sector and which should considerably improve your prospects of employment in the UK.
- Be an active participant in the developments of care provision in the UK and have up-to-date knowledge of how these changes are being put into effect

What are the progression routes / options for further study after completion of the course?

- NVQ Level 3 Care – which is accepted by many Universities as an entrance qualification for Registered Nurse training
- Senior Care Role

It also provides a good grounding to go on to a more advanced course such as

- BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Health and Care
- BTEC National Certificate or Diploma in Care
- BTEC National Certificate or Diploma in Health Studies

These courses also provide a good grounding for those wishing to progress to degree level courses in Social Work, Nursing (General and Mental Health), Community Education, Housing Administration, etc.

What are career prospects after the completion of the Course?

This is a highly valued qualification for those entering front-line care service provision. There are very high employment prospects in a rapidly growing sector in the UK economy. Many leading recruitment have expressed that the UK should be attracting workers from overseas to meet a shortfall in available recruits for employment.

How the College will help?

Based on completion of the full cadet programme, a good attendance record and successful attainment of your qualifications you will be guaranteed 3 interviews with recruitment agencies and/or private sector.

Student Services

Airport Meeting Service : The College provides Meet & Greet Service to Student arriving in U.K. for the first time at the Airport.

Accommodation : The College will guarantee to source accommodation for all international students.

Visa Extension : The College provides the necessary documents to the Home Office for extension of student visas and assist in handling their visa extension application

The college will help students in finding work on part time basis, obtaining National Insurance Number and Opening a bank account.

Please check the college's website and prospectus for more details, other services and charges.

What is the fee?

The fee for the course is £4,500 per year and must be paid in advance.

A student, who requires Student Visa to enter or remain in the UK, will be entitled to a refund of the tuition fee if his/her visa application is refused. A letter of refusal from the British Embassy (APP200) and the original documents of admission issued by the College must be attached with the application form. Please check our website or college prospectus for more details.

What do I do next to get more information including application?

In the first instance, please contact the International Office for information pack with application form. Or Contact the College's Local Representative

Local Representative

A list of representatives is available on our website: www.bcol.co.uk available on request by e-mail.

Our representatives in your local area who will be very pleased to offer you absolutely free of cost support for your admission, British visa application, pre-departure formalities and other travel related services.

How to Apply?

We welcome applications from students resident in any country in the world. Applications can be made in one of two ways:

1. Paper application

You can apply using our paper based-application form by following three steps.

Obtain Application

- Obtain the Application Form' from the College
- by filling online 'Request Form' or
- by downloading from our website. (application form- word format) or
- by visiting the College Education Representative in your area or
- by contacting the India office through (applicants from India)
- post : BCPET Suite 315, IIIrd Taramandal Complex, Saifabad, Hyderabad - 500 004, Andhra Pradesh, India or call : 040-557 78474, or fax : 040 556 20017 or email : info@bcol.co.uk
- by contacting UK office through (applicants from outside India)
- post : BCPET BMI Building, 9 Margaret Street, Birmingham B3 3BS UK or
- call : 00 44 121 212 0888 or
- fax: 00 44 121 212 0666 or
- email: in@bcol.co.uk

The college or local representative will send you information pack including application form within 24 hours once your request received.

Complete Application

Complete the 'Application Form' clearly in black ink. Please contact the College or our nearest representative if any assistance is needed to complete the application form. You can get help, advice and guidance from the College's representative based in your local area. Please also obtain other important documents to support your application e.g. reference letter, details of your work experience, financial statements, and English Language Testing Score or certificates e.g. IELTS band.

Post/Send Application

Students applying from India should send complete application form with attachments to BCPET Suite 315, IIIrd Taramandira Complex, Saifabad, Hyderabad - 500 004, Andhra Pradesh, India.

Students applying from outside India should send complete application form with attachments to BCPET, BMI Building, 9 Margaret Street, Birmingham B3 3BS UK (please write by 'Air Mail' on the top of the envelope).

Alternatively, you can submit it to our local representative who will be delighted to forward it to us for further processing.

The College or local representative will inform you within 10 days of the outcome of your application and the further course of action.

2. Online Application Form

Student can apply using On Line Application Form, available from college website www.bcol.co.uk It is easy, simple and straightforward to complete. Please send other support documents e.g. Reference letter, Qualifications/copies of academic certificates, English Test Score by post or fax directly to us or our local representative.

Employment Opportunities

Just visit any of websites listed below and see how many opportunities are available in Social Work and Care sector in the UK.

Capita Social Care

Specialist agency in Social Work, Social Care and Supported Housing.
Birmingham

www.capitascr.co.uk

Medacs Healthcare Services plc

The UK's leading supplier of healthcare professionals

www.medacs.co.uk

Eden Brown

Recruitment, Training and HR Consultancy

Birmingham

www.edenbrown.co.uk

Corinth Healthcare

Specialists in healthcare recruitment in the UK

www.corinthhealthcare.com

Capital Healthcare Associates (CHA)

CHA is an agency specialising in Health & Social Care

www.capitalhealthcarerecruitment.com First Global Locums

Recruitment specialists for the health/social care community. Our market knowledge and caring approach promotes a genuine

partnership.

www.firstgloballocums.com

Manpower

Manpower is the UK's leading recruitment and workforce management company

www.manpower.co.uk

GLOBAL CHOICES

Global Choices is dedicated to the Hospitality, Food manufacturing, Social Work, Nursing markets.

www.globalchoices.co.uk

Eurosite Human Resources Ltd

We are a young, dynamic recruitment solution provider specialising in the Medical & Care fields.

www.eurosite.ltd.uk New Directions Recruitment

New Directions has grown steadily into one of the UK's leading multi-discipline recruitment Agencies

www.ndrecruit.co.uk

Firstpoint Healthcare

Firstpoint healthcare are one of the leading independent providers of healthcare personnel in the UK.

www.firstpointhealthcare.com

TTM Healthcare Recruitment

Healthcare Recruitment specialists for the UK and Ireland

www.ttm.ie/

Jacaranda Recruitment

Permanent job placements in Social Work, providing long-term staffing solutions at competitive rates. Qualified and experienced candidates come from overseas and offer a range of experience.

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