

BTEC Nationals Health & Social Care (AAQ)** – Extended Certificate – Pearson/Edexcel

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Course Description

The new Pearson Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification BTEC National in Health and Social Care (Extended Certificate) allows students to engage in a broad investigation of various aspects of the health and social care sector.

The qualification is designed to be taken alongside A levels as part of a study programme and can link to learning in A level's such as Psychology, Biology or English. It is intended for students that wish to progress into higher education as a pathway to employment. Pearson has developed a Transferable Skills Framework to facilitate and guide the development of transferable skills through this qualification that includes skills such as taking personal responsibility; managing own learning; teamwork and problem solving.

Extended Certificate — this qualification provides a broad basis of study for the health and social care sector. It is the equivalent of 1 A Level. Mandatory units include Human Lifespan and Development, Human Biology and Health and Principles of Health and Social Care. Students also study one optional unit.

** Could change due to DFE guidance

Assessment

Students are assessed through three mandatory and one optional unit.

- Two units will be assessed via a written examination.
- Two units will be assessed by internal written coursework via a Pearson Set Assignment Brief that will be externally moderated.

Additional Entry Guidance

There are no specific entry requirements, however a Grade 4 in GCSE English is advisable