



Abbey Gate College
Sixth Form



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Health & Social Care

**Pearson Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification
BTEC National in Health and Social Care
(Extended Certificate)**

Why study this at course?

This course offers an applied, academically grounded route into understanding health, wellbeing, and human development.

It suits students who enjoy real-world learning and want strong preparation for careers such as nursing, midwifery, social care, or allied health professions.

Course Content and Assessment

Students study four units covering human development, human biology, health and social care practice, and a specialist area.

Assessment includes both external examinations and internally assessed assignments, offering a balance of academic challenge and applied learning.

The course is equivalent to one A-Level and complements subjects such as Psychology, Biology, and English.

Skills obtained

Students develop analytical thinking, communication, research skills, applied problem-solving, and a strong understanding of care values and professional practice.

Progression to Nursing, Midwifery, Social Work, Health and Social Care, Psychology, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Childhood Studies, Public Health, Paramedic Science, and other allied health or social-science programmes.