



Access to Higher Education - Nursing and Allied Health Professions - AE301

This course is for students who are 19 or above. This course is a preparation for entry to a degree or Higher Diploma course in health care including Nursing, Midwifery, Paramedics, Operations Dept Practitioner, Occupational Therapy and other related health care professions.

COURSE DETAILS

Four areas are studied, these are:

- Human Biology
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Health Studies

Credits are awarded for the Access course modules. To achieve the Access Diploma, you must gain all 60 credits, including a minimum of 45 credits from 13 graded modules at Level 3, which includes two biology modules worth 6 credits each. 15 credits are gained from 5 ungraded developmental modules to improve your academic and personal skills. The Access to HE Diploma is awarded by Openawards.org.

TIMETABLE INFO

1 year over two days a week (days TBC)

There is also a January Start programme available: Monday 09:00 — 16:00, Tuesday 09:00 — 16:00

ENTRY GUIDELINES

To study a Level 3 qualification, you will need:

Level 2 Functional Skills English and Maths or GCSE English and Maths at grade 4/C or above

Satisfactory interview and/or assessment, where other requirements for progression to higher education courses will be discussed

If English is not your first language, you may need an assessment before enrolling on this course. To discuss further, please contact the ESOL department on 0151 551 7144.

ASSESSMENT METHOD

Assessments are continuous with reports:

- reports
- essays
- assignments
- presentations
- examinations

WHERE CAN I PROGRESS TO?

Degree or Higher Diploma courses in health related subjects, such as Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedics etc. Obtaining the Access to HE Diploma in Nursing and Allied Health

Professions does not guarantee entry into any HE course.

Explore potential careers via [Career Match](#) — it provides current local data on wages and employment prospects.

WHEN DOES THIS COURSE RUN?

CAMPUS	STARTS	ATTENDANCE	COURSE CODE	PLANNED TIME TABLE
	02nd Feb 2026	Full Time	AE301-25	
If you are aged 19 or over: Fee : £3384.00 <i>The fee quoted is for the academic year 25/26.</i>				

For advice and guidance, please contact Student Services via our [online enquiry form](#)

This information was current on 18th October, 2025 and may be subject to change.