

# Caring Professions

## Foundation Degree (FdSc) in Assistant Practitioner Health and Social Care

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**Campus:** Dearne Valley College

**Code:** DHECP001

**Type:** Full Time

This is a specialist Foundation Degree designed for adults wanting to progress towards a professional degree within the Health and Social Care Sector. It has been designed in response to the rapidly changing workforce demands and policy initiatives aimed at modernising services and improving quality, productivity and efficiency. It covers both the academic and work-based competencies that are relevant to a multitude of roles within Health and Social Care Settings.

### Why Study With Us?

After completion of Year 1 and a successful UCAS Application, the course has been designed to enable you to step-off and start Year 1 of a professional degree programmes within Health and Social Care Practice, such as (but not limited to):

Nursing (Adult, Child, Mental Health)

Midwifery

Allied Health Professions

Social Work

After completion of Year 2, a successful internal progression interview with Sheffield Hallam University and completion of additional work, the course has been designed to provide you with the opportunity to access specific professional degree programmes (with advanced entry to Year 2), of programmes such as:

Nursing (Adult) – Year 2

Allied Health Professions (Various) – Year 2

Social Work – Year 2

In addition, you could progress onto Year 3 and complete a top-up year at Sheffield Hallam University, to achieve a BSc (Hons) Professional Practice in Health and Social Care.

### Modules Covered

Year 1: Work Based Learning 1: Academic and Practice Reflective and Personal Development Skills  
Essential Sciences for Person-centred Care Integrated Holistic Assessment and Delivery of Health and Social Care Interventions  
Year 2: Work Based Learning 2: Academic and Practice Using and

## Entry Requirements

48 UCAS Points (e.g. A-Levels, Access to HE Diploma, BTEC Level 3 Diploma/Extended Diploma)  
GCSE English and Maths at Grade C (4) and above (or equivalent) \*Applications may be considered to those who hold equivalent qualifications.

## How To Apply

You can apply using our online application form and clicking the **Apply Now** button at the top of the page.

## Career Opportunities

Upon successful completion of this course (at Year 1 or Year 2) and further study, you can gain employment across a wide range of pathways including:

- Nursing (Adult, Child, Mental Health)
- Midwifery
- Allied Health Professions
- Social Work

In addition, this programme could help you obtain the higher level knowledge, skills and behaviours to enhance your professional development and gain employment in the wider sector:

- Care Worker
- Senior Carer
- Care Home Manager
- Healthcare Assistant
- Community Support and Outreach Worker

### PLEASE NOTE

We make every effort to ensure information within our online course directory is accurate and a true representation of the courses we are offering in 2023/24. However, we do reserve the right to make changes if necessary.

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