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FACULTY OF BUSINESS, LEISURE AND CARE

Foundation Degree in Social Care

Course overview

The Foundation Degree in Social Care is structured to ensure that, those employed in a professional capacity in the social care field, are equipped to provide advice, offer effective support and protection to vulnerable groups in society. All learners follow a programme of 11 modules that include knowledge and critical understanding of established concepts, principles and practice in social care.

Work placement is central to this award and all learners are required to complete two Professional Practice modules, based on at least 200 hours yearly of relevant social care experience. This can be either paid or voluntary work and it is expected that learners will have a committed workplace mentor.

Entry requirements

Applicants should have a level 3 qualification, in an area related to health & social care i.e. NVQ, National Diploma or equivalent and should be working in the social field. Exceptions may be made for mature students with relevant experience and alternate qualifications.

Course length and mode of attendance

This is a three year, part time course.

What will I study?

Core modules: Social Care Values, Theories and Process, Communication Skills for Social Care, including Study Skills and IT, Child and Adult Law and Professional Practice, Social Policy, Social Context and Professional Practice.

Four optional modules: which allow the learner to explore social care issues that are of particular interest to them.

What qualification will I obtain?

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How will I be assessed?

Teaching will combine lectures with learner led seminars, group exercises and experiential work. Assessment will be via a variety of strategies to meet differing learner needs such as written assignments, role plays and oral presentations. The Professional Practice modules will be assessed through a mixture of written work, observations in the workplace and professional development profile.

Where will it lead?

On completion of the award students may progress into employment or onto further study. Successful students may be eligible for entry to the second (Intermediate) year of the Professional Social Work Degree or to the top-up year of a BA (Hons).

How do I apply?

Complete an application form in the College's HE Prospectus or contact Liza-Jo Guyatt on 01283 494590 or email liza-jo.guyatt@burton-college.ac.uk.

Cost of course

Costs on application.

For more details on this course please call Student Services

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