



## Nursing CAVA Access to HE Diploma

The Access to Nursing programme is designed as a stepping stone to enable motivated, enthusiastic people to progress on to a range of health and social care related Higher Education degree programmes. Validated by CAVA, this is a recognised qualification for progression by universities.

The course is challenging and you will in effect be studying the equivalent of 3 A levels in 9 months as opposed to 2 years. Therefore full attendance and absolute commitment is required to allow you to fully maximise your learning opportunities. If you are a proactive individual who is determined to realise their potential as a professional in the health care sector, then this pathway is for you.

For more information on the awarding body (CAVA) click [here](#).

### □ Ideal if

You wish to professionalise your existing employment through accessing a degree pathway or you have always wanted to work in the health and social care sector.

### □ You'll need

Although there aren't any specific entry requirements, all applicants will be invited to attend an access workshop (approx 3 hours) where full course information is given and you will be expected to complete the initial assessment and a written exercise.

Most healthcare based university degrees now stipulate that all applicants need to have at least a C grade in English and maths, therefore priority will be given to applicants who already meet these entry requirements.

On occasion, the Access and GCSE teams may allow applicants to sit one of the GCSE's alongside the Access programme, but this will be at the discretion of the Course Managers.

If an applicant does not have either GCSE, it is highly recommended that they apply to Cornwall College GCSE faculty to achieve these prior to submitting an application for an Access course. You may, however, be interested in sitting these alongside our Level 2 Diploma course.

### Key facts

**Course title:**  
Nursing CAVA Access to HE Diploma

**Locations:**  
Duchy College Stoke Climsland, Bicton College, Cornwall College St Austell, Cornwall College Camborne

**Start date:**  
September 2020, September 2020, September 2020, September 2020

**Course length:**  
1 Year

## □ You'll learn

This course will support your academic development through 5 Study Skills modules including:

- Developing Your Research Skills
- Academic Writing
- Examination Techniques and Practices

You will also study a range of academic modules from the Social Sciences, such as:

- Sociology
- Psychology
- Health Promotion
- Social Policy
- 6 Biology modules

In total you will study 20 modules over the 9 month course. The pathway has been designed to reflect undergraduate programmes to fully prepare you for university.

## □ Expect

The course runs from September until the end of June/early July, 2 days per week. The course may also run 2 evenings and 1 day per week (subject to course numbers).

This is a challenging course and it is expected that students will complete a minimum of 15 hours of independent study each week. Students may access college facilities on the days that they are not taught with some evening study available.

Please also be advised that most universities require work experience to complement your UCAS application- therefore it is highly recommended that you are working within the health care sector in either a voluntary or paid capacity.

## □ You'll love

The high quality teaching and learning experience is delivered by subject specialists who are all dedicated to supporting your progression into the university of your choice.

The team is highly professional with a well-deserved reputation for the quality of their knowledge base and pastoral care. You should feel confident that you are in very good hands, and know that your success is what drives us. You'll also enjoy the support offered by our Learning Centre, Student Services amongst others, and will be scheduled, for the majority of your learning, in a dedicated (Adult) Higher Education building.

## □ You'll go on to

This pathway will provide you with the entry requirements for a range of health and social care degrees including; Adult Nursing, Child Nursing, Midwifery, Physiotherapy, Paramedicine, Speech and Language Therapy etc. If you're unsure of your career progression, please note that you will have the opportunity to make an appointment with our dedicated Adult Learning Guidance Officer at the workshop.

## Choose from these course options

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