

# HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE







## About us

If the last few years have taught us anything, it's just how important the health and social care sector is to the whole of the UK. And it's a sector that's growing rapidly – it's estimated that the UK will need over a million more dedicated professionals in the next decade.

There are so many rewarding roles to choose from. You might decide to welcome new life as a midwife or save lives as a nurse. Maybe you'll offer day-to-day practical and emotional support out in your community. Or perhaps you'll help people to overcome their traumas.

Whatever career you choose, you can get started on your journey right here at The Manchester College. You'll be taught by tutors with years of experience both in teaching and out in the health and social care sector. They're ready and waiting to share the advice, guidance and knowledge you need to make your career a success.

You'll be enrolling in our Centre of Excellence or Industry Excellence Academy. This means that you won't just be learning new skills in the classroom, you'll also be applying your new skills through work experience opportunities and placements in real-life settings, such as hospitals, pharmacies and care homes. You will also get to hear from guest healthcare professionals, who can offer you crucial insights into working life.

By the time you complete your studies at The Manchester College, you'll have gained the skills, knowledge and experience to apply for a job in the sector, or to progress to higher education. Whichever path you take, you'll be choosing an incredibly rewarding career where you'll make a difference to people in your community every single day.





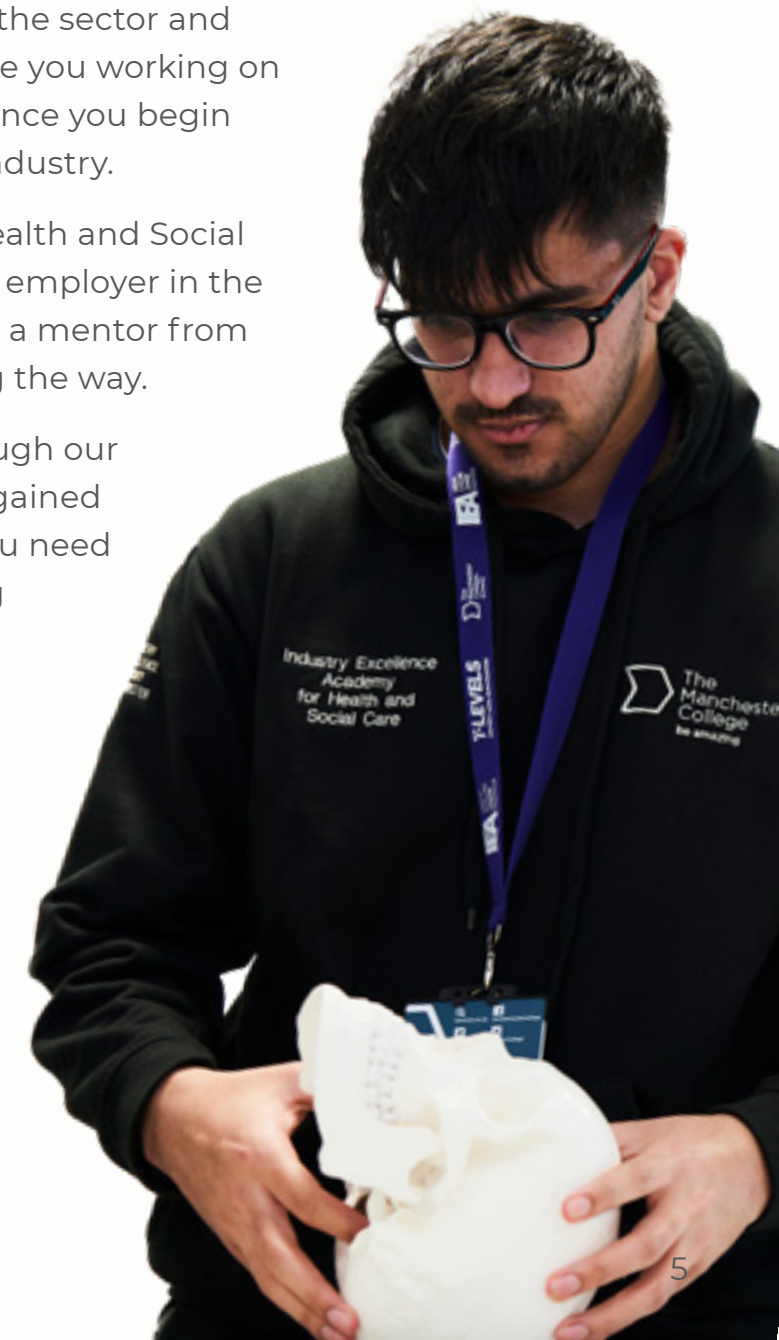
**If you've obtained the necessary entry requirements prior to joining us or during your time in our Centre of Excellence, you may be able to progress into our Industry Excellence Academy for Health and Social Care.**

The programmes of study within our Industry Excellence Academy have been co-developed with industry partners. Working so closely with industry means you'll benefit from courses that are aligned with current industry skills and demands as well as a range of industry-level activities and lessons.

This will include masterclasses and lessons delivered by industry experts, visits from guest speakers within the sector and industry-standard case studies that will see you working on the kind of projects you'll be completing once you begin your career in the health and social care industry.

In our Industry Excellence Academy for Health and Social Care, you'll complete a placement with an employer in the sector of at least 24 days and you'll receive a mentor from your chosen industry to support you along the way.

Once you've completed your journey through our Industry Excellence Academy, you'll have gained the qualifications, experience and skills you need to take the next steps towards an amazing career in this rewarding industry.





## Study for a Technical Level (T Level) qualification in Health and Healthcare Science

**T Levels are a two year technical programme that provide you with a high-quality alternative to A Levels.**

They have been developed in collaboration with employers, and combine theory, practical and classroom learning with a minimum 45-day industry placement. If you opt to take a T Level you will spend 20% of your time on an industry placement and 80% in the classroom.

After completing the course you can progress directly into work, on to a Higher Apprenticeship or even move on to study a university degree, as T Levels are awarded UCAS points.

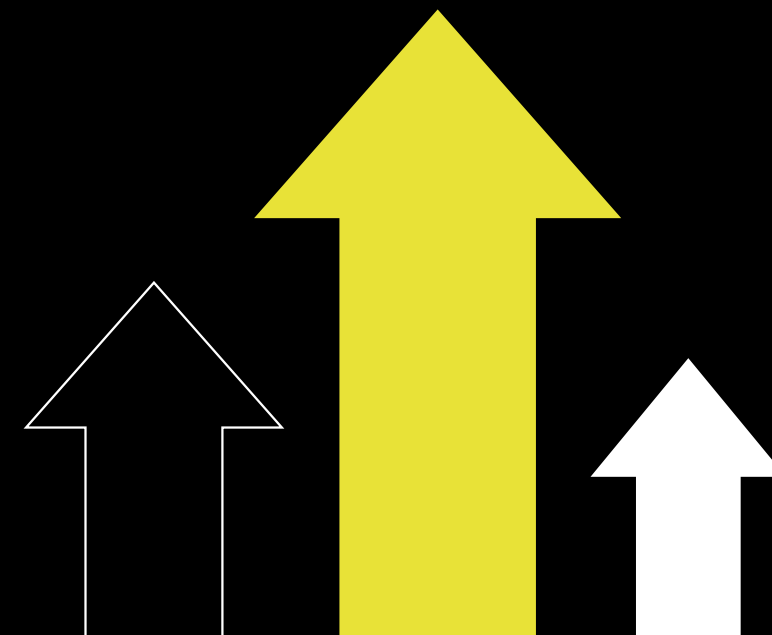


## T Award

Those successful in gaining a place on a T Level will be eligible for the 'T Award', a package of benefits that includes:

- £300 per year bursary\*
- Access to an industry-standard laptop\* (as appropriate)
- Opportunities to take part in exciting college-wide competitions
- Minimum 20% delivery by industry experts
- Minimum 45-day industry placement
- Free branded work wear
- Masterclasses
- Digital upskilling
- Bursary incentive if progressing to UCEN Manchester
- Guaranteed progression to a Higher Education course at UCEN Manchester
- Use of industry based software
- And much more.

\*Subject to requirements, including 95% attendance, positive attitude and grade profile.



# Courses

## Level 3 | T Level | Health (Assisting Adult Nursing) Openshaw | Two Years

If you want to follow a career in adult nursing then this is the T Level for you!

You'll begin by learning all of the essential knowledge and skills you'll need to work in the health and science sector, including how the industry works, core concepts and key regulations, such as managing information, health and safety, and good scientific/clinical practice.

Once you've gained the core knowledge you need you'll specialise in the care of adults. You'll learn all about assisting with clinical tasks and the treatment of service users, providing care and support to service users before, during and after clinical or therapeutic procedures, and taking a physiological reading of service users and recording their data.



For those who don't meet the entry requirements and would still like to pursue a T Level, there is the option of a one-year Level 2 T Level Foundation Year as part of our Industry Excellence Academy for Health and Social Care.

This Foundation Year will allow you to gain a qualification and move on to study one of our T Levels the following year.

## Level 2 | T Level Foundation Year | Health and Social Care Openshaw | One Year

This course has been designed to develop your understanding and knowledge of the health and social care sector, so that you can progress onto our T Level course in Health (Assisting Adult Nursing).

As with the T Level itself, the focus is on helping you to gain practical skills that will prove invaluable when you get out into the workplace. And you'll be putting those skills into practice almost straight away, as you'll be benefiting from an industry placement lasting at least 105 hours.

Throughout the course, you'll also have the chance to hear from professionals, like midwives and nurses. They'll talk to you about their own career paths, the sorts of skills and behaviours you'll need to succeed, and what opportunities are open to you. You'll learn all about human lifespan development, health and social care values, infection control and much more ahead of moving on to study a T Level.

As well as working towards a Level 2 qualification in health and Science, you'll also work to gain a qualification in Emergency First Aid when you progress onto a T Level.

## Jump Start To T Levels

Both our T Level and T Level Foundation Year require you to complete our Jump Start to T Levels programme as an entry requirement.

This programme is a two-week introduction to our Industry Excellence Academy, T Level and T Level Foundation Year programmes, where you can meet your tutors and experience what studying a T Level at The Manchester College is like.

To apply or find out more about our T Level and T Level Foundation Year programmes, visit our Industry Excellence Academy website:

[industry-excellence.tmc.ac.uk/t-levels](https://industry-excellence.tmc.ac.uk/t-levels)



**We passionately believe in helping you reach your ultimate goal, focusing on your future employability and developing the skills you need to have a successful career.**

**If you're aged 16-18, our Centre of Excellence for Health and Social Care is set up to help you do just that!**

### **Study Programme**

You'll join our Centre of Excellence for Health and Social Care when you enrol on any of our qualifications at Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3.

If you haven't already obtained a Grade 4 GCSE or the equivalent Functional Skills at Level 2 in English or maths, you'll study to achieve this level of qualification alongside your course. If you have a Grade 3, you will study a GCSE resit.

Alternatively, if you have anything lower than a Grade 3 then we will help you to develop your English and maths through Functional Skills.

This is a mandatory requirement and it's also essential that you achieve this for many careers and universities.

### **Employability**

To prepare you for your future career, you'll take part in a range of 'employability' activities to equip you with the knowledge and experience of the careers available to you.

### **Employability Sessions**

You'll be assigned an Employability Tutor and will take part in dedicated 'employability' sessions, which will help equip you with the skills you'll need to thrive in the workplace.

### **Work Experience Placement**

If you join our Centre of Excellence you'll spend a minimum of between six and 35 hours working in external workplaces across the region, whilst if you join our Industry Excellence Academy you'll complete at least 105 hours of work experience.

During your placement you'll assist with day-to-day tasks and shadowing staff to develop your skills and broaden your knowledge of the industry.

### **Industry Placement**

You may be able to apply for an industry placement offering more than 315 hours of experience with a leading employer.

An industry placement gives you in-depth knowledge of the industry, allows you to gain hands-on experience and gives you an insight into career pathways.

With a placement, you're taking that all important first step onto the ladder; many of our students even go on to gain paid employment with their industry placement employer at the end of the year.

### **Work Related Activity**

You'll learn more about the industry by taking part in a wide-range of activities. Depending on your chosen course, these could include:

- Visiting residential care homes, hospitals, schools, charity shops and nurseries to learn more about day-to-day roles and responsibilities
- Taking part in insight days, including sessions focusing on nursing and midwifery led by Manchester Hospital Foundation Trust
- Hearing from guest speakers and other experts about the career opportunities and pathways available in healthcare.



# Courses

Through our Centre of Excellence for Health and Social Care, we offer a range of courses for all abilities and ages. Whatever your starting point, we can help you to gain the knowledge, skills, experience and confidence you need to progress to a range of career paths or onto further study.

## Level 1 | Health and Social Care | 16-18 / 19+

### Harpurhey / Openshaw / Wythenshawe | One Year

There are so many different career paths in the health and social care sector. This Level 1 course will introduce you to the key roles and services to help you decide what path to take.

You'll gain a greater understanding of the sector as a whole and develop a range of specialist skills. By the end of the course, you'll be in a great place to progress to the next level.

## Level 2 | Health and Social Care | 16-18 / 19+

### Openshaw | One Year

If you have a keen interest in health and social care and are eager to expand your knowledge and develop the skills that employers are looking for then our Level 2 course is for you. You'll take a more focused look at the industry, starting with examining the core values of health and social care.

You'll also explore the key aspects of effective communication and the importance of equality and diversity. You'll learn all about how people change and develop as they grow from a baby right through to an older adult, and discuss how people need different care and support depending on the stage of life they're at. You'll also spend time learning about health and wellbeing, and finding out how you can help people to lead healthier lives.



## Level 3 | Health and Social Care | 16-18 / 19+

### Openshaw | Two Years

Are you ready to take an in-depth look at the health and social care sector and gain all the skills and knowledge you'll need to progress to higher education or out into the workplace? Then this is the course for you.

You'll learn more about how the body functions and changes over time, and you'll study anatomy and physiology. You'll also develop your understanding of how to meet individual care and support needs, and we'll be discussing how you can help people to lead healthier lives.

Plus, you'll spend more time learning about what it's like working in the sector, with a focus on your chosen career path. You'll get to experience this for real through at least 100 hours of work experience. Whether you're planning to progress to a nursing degree, are aiming for a career in management, or want to work within a nursing home or other care setting, this course can help you get there.

## Level 3 | Applied Psychology with Health and Social Care | 16-18

### Openshaw | One Year

Psychology is a fascinating area. If you want to learn why people react the way they do and how you can help them to overcome challenges, have healthier relationships and lead happier lives, this is the course for you.

You'll be able to explore a wide-range of psychological approaches and applications, and will learn how to conduct psychological research. You'll also discover why psychology is so important to a huge range of industries – including health and forensics – and learn about the many careers that could be open to you.

This is a one-year course and equivalent to one A Level. You will then combine this with an award in Health and Social Care; doing so will mean you can gain the credits to move onto a degree course.



## Level 2 and 3 | Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care | 19+

### Harpurhey | One Year

This course provides an ideal taster for learners who may be new to the health and social care sector or new to the world of work. It is accessible to adult learners of all ages who may want to understand more about working in health and social care.

You'll be introduced to some basic concepts of caring and preparation for employment in the sector. You'll gain knowledge and skills in communication, equality, diversity and inclusion, the role of the social care worker, handling information, health and safety, safeguarding, duty of care and person-centred approaches.

## Level 2 | Counselling Concepts | 19+

### City Campus Manchester / Shena Simon | 10 weeks

Our Level 2 qualification will introduce you to the use of counselling skills in everyday life and work, and some of the approaches that underpin the use of these skills. You will learn about the knowledge and skills needed to use counselling skills and engage in a helping interaction appropriately. It is a useful qualification for anyone who would like to develop their use of counselling skills in either a work or personal capacity.

## Level 3 | Counselling Skills | 19+

### City Campus Manchester / Shena Simon / Wythenshawe | One Year

Our Level 3 qualification is designed for those seeking progression to become a qualified professional counsellor or for individuals who wish to acquire greater counselling skills for use in other work areas. For example, nurses, social workers, teachers and health professionals.





# SUPPORTED LEARNING

Promoting independence  
through accessibility and  
inclusion

Have you received learning support in the past? Do you have an Education, Health and Care Plan or an identified Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND) need? Our Supported Learning team can help students with SEND to achieve their aspirational career goals.

We provide a highly personalised offer for students to create a supportive learning environment for all. Whatever course you choose to study, our provision is specifically designed to support you on your journey to independence and into further education or employment.

Find out more about how we can help you:  
[tmc.ac.uk/supported-learning](https://tmc.ac.uk/supported-learning)





## We'll help you Accelerate2industry

As soon as you enrol on a Health and Social Care course, we'll start talking to you about the opportunities that could be open to you in the future. To guide you through the process and help you achieve your aspirational career goals, we've teamed up with our higher education partner, UCEN Manchester, on an exciting initiative.



Ultimately, the aim of our Accelerate2industry programme is to help you progress into either, higher study, higher education with UCEN Manchester, or your chosen career.

The initiative runs throughout the academic year and there are three distinct phases:

### Step 1 - Plan >>>

Find out the options available to you at the end of your study programme.

### Step 2 - Pass >>>

Your tutors will speak to you about what you're planning on doing next year and support you to secure the grades you need to move on to the next phase of your journey.

### Step 3 - Progress >>>

Your tutors will ensure you have all of the information and support you need to rejoin us in September or progress on to university, employment or an apprenticeship.

### Progressors Award >>>

Do you want to study with a higher education provider that offers something a little bit different and delivers courses that are career focussed and lead you straight into employment? If so, our Progressors Award is just for you.

The award is open to all Level 3 students at The Manchester College that upon completion of their course enrol onto a higher education course at UCEN Manchester. The Progressors Award is currently £200. Please check the amount, eligibility, and terms and conditions ahead of making your progressors application to UCEN Manchester during your final year of Level 3 study.



## **DEGREE LEVEL**

You can continue to learn in our state-of-the-art facilities for health and care as you take your next steps into the healthcare sector with a degree. You'll benefit from smaller, highly practical classes and award winning support.

**Choose between one-year degree-level courses to build your skills and confidence, and three year degrees.**

**Degrees are available in:**

- **Healthcare Practice (Integrated Health and Social Care)**
- **Healthcare Practice (Nursing and Healthcare Support)**
- **Integrated Health and Social Care**

For more information or to apply  
visit [ucenmanchester.ac.uk](https://ucenmanchester.ac.uk)





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Where could I spend my placement?



## Types of placement



### Pharmacies

If you choose to take a placement in a pharmacy, you'll spend time serving and helping customers, and directing them to the pharmacists for any medical concerns. You'll learn about different medications and how pharmacists dispense and record medicines. You'll also learn about how prescriptions are handled and may be given the opportunity to attend a medical consultation with a customer.



### Care homes

During a work placement in a care home, you'll help staff to deliver activities with older adults. You could also assist at meal times, spend time talking with residents to get to know them and help them feel comfortable and happy. You'd be involved in meetings with other healthcare professionals and help to make sure residents' care plans are being followed.



### Hospitals

If you decide to take a placement at a hospital, you'll shadow nurses and health care assistants, and spend time observing other professionals as they work. You'll also have plenty of time to spend with patients.



### Schools and nurseries

Do you want to work with children when you leave The Manchester College? A placement at a school could give you a greater understanding of what's involved. During the placement, you'll work closely with teachers to help with the day-to-day running of the classroom. You might be able to create resources for the children to use, and help plan and deliver activities and lessons. You'll learn about Education, Health and Care (EHC) plans and could also be asked to support children with special educational needs.



# Careers



**Midwife**  
**Starting salary: £25,600**  
**Salary with experience: £31,500**

As a midwife, you'd help to keep women and babies safe through childbirth. But you wouldn't just help to deliver babies; you'd also play a vital role throughout pregnancy for each of your patients, and for a month or so after the birth. Midwives can be men or women and they can work in midwife-led units, birth centres, hospitals and GP practices, as well as attending home births and visiting people at home.



**Adult nurse**  
**Starting salary: £28,400**  
**Salary with experience: £34,500**

As an adult nurse, you'll be caring for patients suffering from a variety of health conditions, ranging from minor injuries and ailments to acute and long-term illnesses and diseases. You will be supporting their recovery using care plans to observe them and assess their needs. Communication is key as you build trust with patients and may also need to contact their families, particularly in cases of chronic illness where the patient may be returning regularly for treatment.



**Social worker**  
**Starting salary: £24,000**  
**Salary with experience: £40,000**

As a social worker, you could help to keep vulnerable adults or children safe and support them through difficult times. Situations you might be involved with include families affected by domestic violence, children not attending school and disabled people who need support to carry on living a full, independent life.





# Meet the team

**At The Manchester College, we believe the best tutors are usually those who have real-world experience of working in the field they're teaching. So in most cases, you'll be taught by someone who's worked as a nurse, social worker, early years educator or other relevant professional.**

As well as being able to share their knowledge and experiences with you, they have crucial industry connections, which is a huge benefit when it comes to helping you to secure a work placement in your chosen field.



**Hayley Francis**  
**Director of Curriculum**

Hayley is the Director of Curriculum for Sport, Public Services and Care Professions. Hayley has been working at The Manchester College for 10 years.

She has helped to grow the department over the years and driven the quality of provision through ensuring our course offer meets the needs of the industries, by leading her experienced team to excellence in teaching, supporting learners to achieve their ambitions and working closely with industry employers.



**Claire Prescott**  
**Head of Department**

Claire joined the College in December 2021 and has more than 10 years' experience teaching and managing Health and Social Care, and Science departments in further education colleges and sixth forms. She possesses a degree in Chemistry from the University of Leeds, however, her special interest is in human biology and disease having spent nine years working in the pharmaceutical industry before entering teaching. She loves teaching both science and health and enjoys supporting students to achieve their very best grades, particularly those who sometimes struggle.



**Marion Foster**  
**Department Team Leader**

Marion joined the College in 2005 and has more than 20 years' experience in teaching. Over the past six years Marion has worked in several curriculum areas as an Achievement Tutor. Marion started a new role as Department Team Leader in February 2023 within the Health and Social Care department. She embraces new challenges and is looking forward to forming closer working relationships with the team and students.



**Gail Millward-Jackson**  
**Tutor**

Gail joined the team in September 2022 as a Clinical Skills Tutor for the T Level Health course. Her 20 years of experience as a midwife allow Gail to bring technical skills to the mock ward environment at our Openshaw Campus. This aids the students in preparing them for placement opportunities, alongside developing skills to assist future health care sector employment or progression to higher education.



**Mehjabeen Shaukat**  
**Tutor**

Mehjabeen has seven years' experience within teaching early years, and health and social care. She has a BSc in Early Years and is currently studying a BSc in Biology as she is interested in gaining deeper insight into human biology. She is always willing to support students to successfully progress and achieve throughout their courses, encouraging them to challenge themselves with the intention of achieving higher grades.



# Our locations

Our Health and Social Care courses are offered at our Openshaw, Harpurhey and Wythenshawe campuses. Each campus has great transport links, well-equipped classrooms, and plenty of opportunities for socialising.

In our Industry Excellence Academy for Health and Social Care at our Openshaw Campus, you will benefit from some fantastic new facilities that we have developed specifically for your studies. These include a state-of-the-art mock hospital ward complete with industry-standard hospital beds, screens, chairs, bedside tables, PPE equipment, blood pressure monitors, a nursing station with computer, hand washing facilities, toilet, and ceiling hoist. There is also an infectious disease area which contains a hospital bed and associated PPE resources to facilitate barrier nursing.

In order to learn and practice practical skills, we have SimMan 3G PLUS simulation mannequins and associated software to record and assess the skills you are demonstrating. Virtual reality software is also available helping to ensure that you are able to learn with the most up to date technology.

In addition, we have a Care Suite with a lounge area, bedroom, kitchen and bathroom fully fitted with assistive and adaptable fixed equipment (bed/bath), plus additional equipment, such as ceiling hoist, walking frames, height adaptable chairs and tables, crutches and wheelchairs. The kitchen is also fully stocked with adapted feeding equipment.

As Health and Social Care is one of the largest sectors in the region and rapidly growing, with demand only expected to increase, these facilities will enable the next generation of industry talent to hit the ground running when entering the world of work.



- 1 Openshaw Campus**  
Ashton Old Road, Openshaw, Manchester M11 2WH
- 2 Wythenshawe Campus**  
Brownley Road, Wythenshawe, Manchester, M22 9UH
- 3 Harpurhey Campus**  
Rochdale Road, Harpurhey, Manchester, M9 4AF



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## What our students say

“What I love most about the Health and Social Care facilities is that it’s as if you are working in a hospital or a care home, so you can get used to working in the environment that you’re going to be working in for a long time. I love how our tutors can talk from experience and years of working in the industry.”



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Julie Marco, Level 3 T Level Health (Assisting Adult Nursing)

“My T Level course has allowed me to embrace my passion for nursing and made me feel more professional and dedicated to nursing. I enjoy being in the mock hospital ward the most because it makes me feel really professional and gives me an insight into the reality of what I’ll be doing in ten years time.”



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Bandhana Pokhrel, Level 3 T Level Health (Assisting Adult Nursing)

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# How to apply

Applying to study at The Manchester College is really easy. Just follow these steps and you will be on your journey to amazing in no time.



## Step 1

Visit **tmc.ac.uk**



## Step 2

Choose a course, apply at an open event, online or on mobile



## Step 3

Receive a conditional offer



## Step 4

Book to attend an interview



## Step 5

Register to attend our New Student Welcome Day in July (16-18 only)



## Step 6

We will invite you to enrol in September after you receive your results (if applicable)



# What's Next?

## Find out more and apply

To find out more about Health and Social Care at The Manchester College and to apply scan the QR code or visit: **[tmc.ac.uk/health-social-care](https://tmc.ac.uk/health-social-care)**



## Visit us

Join us at one of our open events throughout the year to learn more about our courses, tour our facilities, speak to our tutors and much more. To find out when our next Open Event is taking place and to register, please visit: **[tmc.ac.uk/events](https://tmc.ac.uk/events)**

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