

BA (HONS) HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT (4 YEARS)



Do you want to become a confident healthcare professional, but you're not sure if you qualify for university study? Studied over four years, we offer an integrated Foundation Year that is perfect to prepare you for success at undergraduate level. During your foundation year, you will complete six key modules that will prepare you with the required skills and knowledge to take on the full undergraduate degree in Healthcare Management.

Modules are:

Foundation Year (Level 0)

Skills for Academic Study

This module will set you up with the underlying key study skills required to take on Higher Education, giving you the confidence to develop as an independent learner and to take responsibility for your own personal and professional development.



You'll develop effective time management skills and learn different note taking techniques, knowing how to identify the most effective method for your studies. You will learn how to extract vital information from resource materials, as well as understand and explain how to avoid plagiarism through correct academic referencing. In addition, you will explore the use of IT applications, such as PowerPoint and Key Note to deliver presentations.

The Structure of Business

Throughout this module, you will gain an understanding of the different types of

business organisations and will be introduced to several key concepts associated with economics. Various industry sectors will provide an exemplar base for this module, for example, the healthcare, manufacturing and leisure sectors. You will be able to evaluate the business environment and the factors that may affect an organisation. Current topical issues will be addressed as they arise to add maximum relevance to the real world. You will also be introduced to corporate structures through the discussion of wider issues of business start-ups and finance generation.



Using Numeracy, Data & IT

Through this module, you will be equipped with a range of mathematical skills to take on undergraduate study. You'll develop a solid knowledge base in numeracy, data and IT. You will be introduced to spreadsheets and learn to use some simple formula functions. You will be able to design numerical analyses and select appropriate ways to present your data that will help inform problem solving. It is recommended that you will have studied maths to GCSE level for this module.

Using Information

This module will expand on your numerical understanding studied within the first semester. You will be introduced to basic

statistics and will consider how organisations might use different types of data, exploring concepts relating to accounting, quality, and marketing. You will begin to understand how data helps to drive and support decision making and how basic data analysis can add clarity to data sets.

Working Ethically

Operating in an ethical way is a key theme of our programmes here at Arden. For example, within the healthcare sector there are significant issues around the care of vulnerable people and dignity. This module will provide an understanding of some key issues in the broad area of business ethics but a major feature will be the

use of case studies to begin the development of skills in decision-making. You will become aware, from both a business and a personal perspective, of the importance of inclusivity and what is considered to be right and wrong conduct. You will gain valuable transferable and practical skills that are needed to ensure people are treated with dignity and be able to explain how environmental and cultural issues influence business ethics.

Research Skills

This module is designed to help you develop the research skills necessary for study in Higher Education. You will explore different note-taking techniques to record data from primary

and secondary sources. You will also develop valuable team-working skills by working collaboratively to produce a short research project collecting primary data, providing you with the practical skills required for teamwork in the workplace. You will produce an individual report that draws meaningful conclusions from effective data analysis and interpretation, demonstrating your ability to write to an acceptable academic standard of fluent written English. You will develop an ability to reflect upon your own practice and performance, understanding ways to set yourself realistic goals moving forward in your studies.



Year 2 (Level 4)

Skills for Learning in Care

This module gets to the nitty-gritty of modern healthcare. With strong focus on the developing world, we'll amp up awareness of cultural health issues, systems and nuances. How do we help those in poverty - and what are the barriers?

Social, Political and Environmental Issues in International Healthcare

Do you know how healthcare differs across the world? Or understand the impact of illness in developing countries? This module uncovers how different and conflicting

cultures impact healthcare issues, systems and policies. You'll also explore elements of emergency, humanitarian and development aid.

Communication and Collaboration in Managing the Professional Environment

No decisions are made alone in social care. As a manager, it's your duty to make sure everyone is in the loop - including you. This module explores how to make your team successful. Who is responsible for what? Are we following the codes of practice? And does this all meet the needs of those we're caring for?

Meeting the Needs of Service Users

Would this service be good enough for my own family? That's the question at the heart of this module. You'll look at the goals and values of care: relationships with service users, helping people to change their own situations and the standards that need to be met.



Planning and Managing Resources

Ever wondered what makes the social work world go round? The answer is tip top resource management. How can you provide the best service, but stay cost efficient? There's plenty of tough decisions in this module - financial shortfalls, managing fraud and who gets what (financially).

Fostering Dignity and Respect

This module is important to us all. You'll be critically reflecting on your own personal values in terms of ethical issues, human rights, stereotyping and empathy. How can we respect all individuals, especially those who may be socially excluded?



Year 3 (Level 5)

Financial Control and Budgeting

Here we start looking at the finance side of things. You'll develop a must-have understanding of financial control and budgeting in a domestic and international healthcare environment.

Performance Improvement and Management in Health & Social Care

Decisions in social work are based on what's top priority. This module covers how to plan and control such decisions for top results. You'll learn how to forecast what's coming and create the best plan of action based on your workings.

Public Health

It's time to learn the true meaning of public health, and where better to start than the critical issues in today's public health policies and interventions. Looking at modern ideas and values, you'll understand the importance of ethics and data when assessing health programmes.

Health Promotion

This one's exactly as it reads, covering the idea, education and promotion of health and well-being. Not just diet and exercise but parenting, poverty, infectious diseases and substance use. How would you address, communicate and implement someone's health intervention?

Inter-Agency Working

Time to nail down those leadership skills. This module looks at local Health and Social Care agencies (councils, health boards etc). Using a case study, you'll research and report partners to work with in the area - specifying the best teams and tools to fulfil community needs.

Leading Teams in Health & Social Care

You now know the basics of leading a team - but do you know how to motivate them? Resolve conflicts? Improve performance? These are the main issues you'll learn in this module - looking at the characteristics that make great leaders and H&SC teams.

Year 4 (Level 6)

Quality Management in a Care Setting

How can you be the best manager possible? How do you make sure everyone in the team feels committed to your vision? This module is all about working with staff and service users to create a social care landscape that meets the needs of everyone.

Business Analysis and Planning

Get your technical head on. This is where you'll study business analysis: collecting data, using specialist software and reporting it all back to the team.



Global Health and Sustainability

What's your opinion on global sustainability issues? It's a complex subject, giving us plenty to discuss in this module. From resilience to global problems to the impact on healthcare, there's no right or wrong answers so get ready for some healthy debates. Project Management and Risk

It's time for a management level-up. You'll learn the complexities of managing finances, projects and contracts. Staff performance, breaches and frustrations are examined - and you'll look closely at the ins and outs of insurance.

Research Methods and Final Project

Your final project requires proof of everything you've learned: laying down philosophies and strategies with plenty of red hot research. Studying independently (though we'll be on-hand whenever you need us), you'll be using everything focus groups, interviews, in-depth data and analysis to complete the big research finale.

Course duration and hours of Study

This course will take 4 years to complete with the integrated foundation year. Your course will be delivered through a blend of online and face-to-face teaching, compressing the amount of days you need to be at the study centre.

You can find out more information on the course page, visit www.arden.ac.uk. Alternatively, please call our admissions team on:

0208 003 6196 for more details.

Entry requirements

The 4 year route with integrated foundation year is perfect for those with a desire to return to education or seeking to develop key study skills in their first year.

Candidates are required to submit a personal statement (of between 350-550 words) or interview demonstrating an ability to study the programme, taking into account:

- their motivation for undertaking the programme
- relevant work experience
- prior qualifications
- references

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