

BA (HONS) HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT FOUNDATION YEAR



Do you want to progress into a managerial role in healthcare, but you're not sure if you meet the entry requirements for university study? A degree with a foundation year is perfect for those who need a little extra support to continue their journey into higher education.

This BA (Hons) Healthcare Management with foundation year will prepare you with the essential skills and subject knowledge needed to embark on your undergraduate degree in healthcare management. Covering quality management, leadership and more, it's also accredited by the Chartered Management Institute (CMI), a professional body dedicated to promoting the highest standards in

management and leadership, adding further credibility to your degree and giving your CV a boost so you stand out in the field. The course will focus on areas including social, political and ethical issues in healthcare, working ethically and performance management, and will lead you to the career you've always wanted.

Modules are:

Foundation Year

Developing Academic Skills

Learn the key skills needed to succeed in undergraduate studies, as an Arden student. Time management, self-study, identifying credible sources and how to apply them to your studies will be covered, providing you with the ability and self-confidence to develop as an independent learner.

Using Numeracy, Data and IT

Gain the solid knowledge base in numeracy, data and IT needed to take on undergraduate study. You will be introduced to spreadsheets and learn to use some simple formula functions. You will design numerical analyses and select appropriate ways to present your data that will inform problem solving. Learn to calculate ratios, proportions, percentages and averages and how to present them with graphics.

Research Skills and Using Information

Learn the process of developing and implementing an academic project in this module. You will develop basic research and data presentation skills, learn to draw meaningful conclusions from data sets, and craft an academic research paper from quality information

Values, Ethics and Working Collaboratively

Arden students are ethical students. This module will use cases to explain what ethics is and why it's important, to ensure people are treated with dignity. Learn to work collaboratively in a way that promotes and protects individual rights and ethical values in a range of professional sectors. This module covers a range of topics from business ethics, to data security, to working with vulnerable people.

Technology in Organisations

Use theory, practical learning and experience to discover the role of IT in organisations. Understand the evolving role of Information Systems in modern organisations, how the advancement in telecommunications impacted them, and the IT security and data privacy measures they need to stay



safe. You'll also learn how to create, edit and format a range of organisational documents using IT.

Structure of Business

Gain an understanding of the different types of business and the key concepts associated with introductory economics. Learn to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of various legal frameworks and finance-generating alternatives for a new business. You will explore the role key 'Human Resource' policies play within an organisation. Current business world examples will be used so your studies remain cutting edge and relevant.

Level 4

Skills for Learning in Care

This module gets to the nittygritty 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 Ethical 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?



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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.

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

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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, indepth data and analysis to complete the big research finale.

Course duration

By completing a foundation year, you'll take four years to complete the course in total. Your course will be delivered through a blend of online and face-to-face teaching, compressing the number of days you need to be at the study centre. You can find out more information on the course page, visit arden.ac.uk

Alternatively, please call our admissions team on:

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0800 268 7737 for more details.

Entry requirements

A foundation year entry degree 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 attend an online interview demonstrating an ability to study the programme, taking into account:

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

If your previous study was not in English, you will also need to have IELTS 6.0 or equivalent (no less than 5.5 in any element).



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