



Do you want to turn your valuable knowledge, experience and skills into a nationally recognised qualification?

# **Assistant Practitioner (Dip HE)**

This course was developed to work alongside your employment, using practice based assessments and a supervisor within your workplace to support and measure your learning

# Commencing in September 2017

Closing date for completed applications has been extended to: 15th May 2017

This is a Middlesex University programme and qualification, designed, assessed and quality assured by Middlesex but delivered at and by the Institute.



Armed with these advanced skills and valuable experiences you will not only enhance your practice and expand your career prospects across a wide range of healthcare settings, you will also obtain academic credits to put towards further study at a later date if you wish.

Please see reverse for information about the entry requirements, course details and how to apply......

## **Course Information**

This Dip HE Assistant Practitioner programme is designed to enable you to remain in employment while attending set blocks of study over two years at the Institute.

This course requires the support of your manager and a supervisor in practice.

It is taught over several set weeks of full time study with periods of practice-based

assessment within your own work setting, you will begin with a 'Study Skills' module,

acknowledging and addressing that some students may not have studied for some time, before completing the following modules:

- Foundations for Health Care Practice (HCP)
- Essential skills for HCP
- Foundations for field of HCP
- HCP1 (in practice)

You will complete an assessment for each module, with expert support from a supervisor within your workplace who is responsible for assessing your practice during the programme.

# **Entry Requirements**

You must possess a minimum of 5 GCSEs at grades A-C (including Maths and English) or **equivalents**, or a VQ level 3 in Health and Social Care **plus** Maths and English GCSE at grade C or above (**or equivalent**). (However, equivalency tests by appropriately accredited provider will be accepted.)

# These non-academic criteria must also be met:

- Be in a position to work for the Committee for Health and Social care, The States of Guernsey for 2 years after graduation.
   (HSC Applicants only)
- Complete a satisfactory enhanced DBS check,
  Occupational health clearance and provide suitable references

## Cost of the course.

**(HSCS Applicants only)** Your employer may ask you to complete an indemnity form which requires you to repay course fees if you leave your employment. Details available May 2017.

The fees for individuals who are working within the private sector or are working in a department who's training budget is not held by the Institute are £3000 per year.

# **How to Apply**

Applications are welcome from those currently working as Healthcare Support Workers/Healthcare Assistants

Recruitment to the programme is a joint process between your employer and the Institute.

Short-listed candidates are invited to a selection day .The interview panel may include a service user, a manager and an Institute Lecturer

Successful candidates will demonstrate the following:

- \* A professional attitude and responsibility
- \* Good communication skills
- \* Basic IT skills
- \* Ability to work well under pressure
- \* Ability to work well and as part of a team
- \* An understanding and insight into the chosen field of practice
- \* Evidence of meeting academic criteria.

## Interviews, entrance test

Entry onto this course requires an interview and skills tests:

- If your application is successfully shortlisted, you will be invited to attend a Maths and English test at the Institute. These tests are compulsory even if you meet our Maths and English GCSE application requirements.
- If you pass these tests, you will be invited to attend an individual interview.

#### Who should I contact for advice?

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