



Path your future in.....
**Education, Health
Care & Public Services**

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WHICH PATH DO YOU WANT TO TAKE?

TEACHING

Leads to careers in Primary, Secondary and Post-16 Education.

You will study four AS/A level courses including at least two National Curriculum subjects. For primary teaching, AS/A level English Language and/or Maths is strongly recommended.

SOCIAL CARE

Advice worker, Charity officer, Counsellor, Drug worker, Probation Officer and Social Worker are all roles that this pathway leads to.

You will study at least one AS/A level course from Sociology, Psychology, Geography, Religion, Ethics and Philosophy. A BTEC Level 3 Diploma or Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care are also relevant to many career areas in this sector.

UNIFORMED SERVICES

This pathway can lead to careers in the police, fire and rescue service or the armed forces.

A sport-related BTEC Level 3 Diploma or AS/A level PE is recommended for uniformed public services with an ICT or technology-related course.

NURSING & PARAMEDIC

This pathway leads to careers as an Adult Nurse, Speech and Language Therapist, Dietitian, Health Services Manager or Paramedic.

You will study BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care with 2 AS/A level subjects. Sociology or BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Applied Science (Medical route) are recommended. For a Paramedic career, AS/A level Biology and Chemistry is usually required.

PHYSIOTHERAPY

This pathway will be of interest to those aspiring to become a Physiotherapist or Sport Therapist.

Four AS courses including AS/A level Biology, Chemistry are required. AS/A level PE is recommended for Sports Physiotherapy.

PSYCHOLOGY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY & COUNSELLING

For careers as a Clinical Psychologist, Counsellor or Occupational Therapist.

You will study four AS/A levels including Psychology and Sociology. Biology and Chemistry are recommended for some Psychology degrees. Maths, Statistics, English Language or Humanities subjects also useful choices.


FORMER BLACKPOOL SIXTH STUDENTS:

FACTS


- The education sector is a challenging, rewarding and inspiring area in which to work. Salaries in education, including teaching, are comparable to those of other graduate jobs in the public sector and related professions.
- Social Care is a demanding sector but this is balanced by the personal satisfaction gained from developing and maintaining relationships with the people you are trying to help. You can make a real impact on improving people's lives.
- The armed forces and emergency services sectors continue to include some of the largest employers within the UK job market. They recruit a wide variety of graduates each year.

NORTH WEST REGION EARNINGS

JOB TITLE	TYPICAL ANNUAL SALARIES
Early Years, Primary, Secondary Teacher	£21,000 - £32,000
Learning Mentor	£14,000 - £24,000
General Nursing	£20,700 - £26,800
Physiotherapist	£19,700 - £25,400
Speech and Language Therapist	£20,700 - £26,800
Occupational Therapist	£20,700 - £26,800
Sports Therapist	£26,000 - £32,000 /£25 per hr
Counsellor	£18,000 - £27,000
Social Worker	£23,500 - £30,000
Paramedic	£21,200 - £27,000
Police Officer	£22,100 - £26,100
Firefighter	£21,100 - £28,200
Armed Forces Graduate Officer Cadet	£23,475



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USEFUL CONTACTS

Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF)
www.education.gov.uk
General Teaching Council for England (GTC) www.gtce.org.uk
British Medical Association (BMA) www.bma.org.uk
NHS Careers www.nhscareers.nhs.uk
Careers in Probation www.jobsinprobation.com
General Social Care Council (GSCC) www.gsccl.org.uk
Community Service Volunteers (CSV) www.csv.org.uk
MOD Careers www.mod.uk
Police Recruitment Service <http://policerecruitment.homeoffice.gov.uk>
Fire Service www.fireservice.co.uk

Source: Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings (2007) North West regional data set.
Data refers to gross mean earnings for full-time jobs, except for financial managers,
which is a median figure. Annual figures have been rounded to nearest hundred and
weekly figures to the nearest full pound (Crown Copyright)

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- In January 2009, there were over 440,000 teachers in almost 25,000 schools in England, and 57,000 teachers in almost 2,900 schools in Scotland.
- In the UK in 2008, there were over 220,000 teaching staff in FE colleges and 175,000 academic staff in 169 HE institutions.
- All these institutions also need administrative staff and are supported by staff in other educational bodies whose functions cover areas such as quality control and examinations.
- The UK health sector employs just over 2.1 million people, which represents around 8% of the total workforce. It is estimated that 73% of these work in the public sector (the NHS), with the remaining 27% working in the independent sector, including 2% in the voluntary sector. Workforce costs account for over 70% of spending in the sector (Skills for Health, 2009/10).
- The social care sector serves two million users accessing over 30,000 provider organisations.
- According to most recent figures, around 922,000 people are in paid employment in the social care sector. Nearly two thirds (61% or 559,000 individuals) are in services for older people, 177,000 (19%) work with adults with disabilities, 123,000 (13%) are in children's services and the remaining 63,000 (7%) are in mental health ('The State of the Social Care Workforce 2004', published by Skills for Care, April 2005).
- There are about 145,000 police officers in the UK, according to the Home Office.
- Fire and Rescue Services employ around 50,000 people nationally.

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