
NUTRITION AND CONSUMER HEALTH



These courses offer a unique opportunity for practitioners to develop their skills at an academic level. They are designed to meet professional body requirements and the relevant National Occupational Standards.



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† Important note: all our teaching and learning activities are rigorously assessed to identify and minimise any health and safety risks to students and staff. Students who are pregnant or breast feeding may not be able to undertake all of the laboratory and practical work on this course. Whilst this should not prevent them completing their qualification, it may limit the study options available to them at that time. Please contact the University for further details.

CERTIFICATES IN PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPPDS)

- Clinical Hypnosis
- Nutrients in Metabolism and Health
- Principles in Healthcare
- The Manipulation of Diet for Health.

NUTRITIONAL THERAPEUTICS

FdSc

UCAS code: Direct application

Duration: Blended learning – Five to six years

Starting: September and February

Location: Brentford

ENTRY CRITERIA

100 UCAS tariff points or equivalent qualifications at Level 3 plus GCSE English and Maths or equivalent.

Applicants with no formal qualifications are also welcomed and will be considered on an individual basis.

A telephone or in-person interview will be required.

For detailed information on international equivalences and alternative qualifications, please refer to page 169.

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course has been staged to meet the varying needs of individuals, and provides the foundation for those studying for a professional qualification in nutritional therapeutics, who do not wish to train as a nutritional therapist. Successful students will graduate with a Foundation Degree in Nutritional Therapeutics, which is a non-practitioner qualification.

This is therefore attractive to both complete newcomers to healthcare and to individuals who have already trained in other complementary or conventional healthcare areas.

To meet the needs of those who wish to obtain the status of nutritional therapy practitioner, the Foundation Degree can progress onto the Level 6 BSc/BSc (Hons) Nutritional Therapy. Successful completion of this level will enable the student to register with the relevant professional body. The BSc (Hons) in Nutritional Therapy provides further development of research and evaluation skills which can enhance practitioner expertise or lead to further career choices.

The course is supported through the University's Virtual Learning Environment (Blackboard). Much of the course can therefore be studied at a distance, with the exception of the necessary clinical sessions (BSc) and classroom sessions (BSc (Hons)).

The course builds a sound knowledge base in the theory and practice of nutritional therapy, underpinned by the related development of basic medical sciences. The student engages in formative learning in anatomy and physiology and basic biochemistry, as well as the study of named diseases (pathology), as it relates to the field of practice. Students develop their practitioner skills through monitored cases supported by experienced nutritional therapists. The course also encompasses work based observational/placement practice concepts and principles that will help the student to develop various qualities and transferable skills necessary for future employment in the health sector.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Successful completion of this course will enable students to enroll on the Nutritional Therapy degree, which will entitle students to apply for registration with the Complementary and Natural Healthcare Council (CNHC) with whom the University has a working relationship.

NUTRITIONAL THERAPY

BSc

BSc (Hons)

UCAS code:	Direct application
Duration:	Blended learning – Five to six years
Starting:	September and February
Location:	Brentford

ENTRY CRITERIA

200 UCAS tariff points or equivalent qualifications at Level 3 plus GCSE English and Maths at Level 2.

This course particularly welcomes applicants with a Progression or Advanced Diploma in Society, Health and Development.

Applicants with no formal qualifications are also welcomed and will be considered on an individual basis.

All applicants for this course are required to attend an interview.

For detailed information on international equivalences and alternative qualifications, please refer to page 169.

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course is designed to meet the particular needs of people studying for a professional qualification in nutritional therapy.

The course is attractive to both complete newcomers to healthcare and to individuals who have already trained in other complementary or conventional healthcare areas.

The course provides the opportunity for full academic progression in nutritional therapy.

The course is supported through the University's Virtual Learning Environment (Blackboard). Much of the course can therefore be studied at a distance, with the exception of the necessary class and clinical sessions.

The course builds a sound knowledge base in the theory and practice of nutritional therapy, underpinned by the related development of basic medical sciences. Students will engage in formative learning in anatomy and physiology and basic biochemistry, as well as the study of named diseases (pathology), as it relates to the field of practice. Students develop their practitioner skills through clinical practice, monitored and supervised by experienced nutritional therapists. The course also encompasses work based observational/placement practice concepts and principles that will help the student to develop various qualities and transferable skills necessary for future employment in the health sector.

The course of study consists of supported distance learning modules, which comprise of 120 credits for Level 4 and 5, 60 credits to achieve the BSc only and a further 60 credits should you wish to continue on to the BSc (Hons) pathway.

FURTHER STUDY

On completion of this course students are able to progress to an appropriate postgraduate qualification.

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