



For the future you want

## ESOL for access to care and health professions

### COURSE INFORMATION

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#### AIMS

This one-year full-time bursary course aims to prepare you with the language skills needed for moving into further study in the area of care or health. You will complete the SQA National 5 ESOL syllabus and other units as listed in the box below. You will improve your ability to understand and produce spoken and written English in both every day and work contexts and will focus on the vocabulary required to talk about the human body. You will be introduced to the specialisms and professional values and principles when working in the care sector. You will develop workplace language and employability skills during a 2-week placement.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

During this 36 week course you will attend college for 17 hours a week. You will work towards achieving the **Scottish Qualifications Authority [SQA] National 5 ESOL** award. You will also complete core skills units, Edinburgh college (EC) units and complete a 2 week work placement.

Edinburgh College Units	SQA Units
Language Learning Objectives level 5 Study Skills Level 5 Tutorial Preparation for citizenship Self-directed study Care - Safe Beginners	National 5 ESOL award (Everyday life and Work contexts)  Work Placement level 4 Preparation to Work level 5 Working with Others level 5  Human Body level 4

#### COURSE CONTENT

You will focus on developing the language skills you need for life and work in the UK with a particular focus on work in the care/health sector and you will develop general language skills for speaking, writing, listening and reading. You will work on grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation and improve all your language skills. You will also learn about the Scottish care context and develop terminology used to talk about the human body to improve your chances of changing your job, progressing in your career or gaining a place on the course you want.

The syllabus will consist of the topics, language points and exam strategies to help you to prepare for the SQA National 5.

You will do a lot of learning in pairs and groups. You will also be expected to learn independently through self-directed tasks.

#### TUTORIALS

Your main teacher will also be your class tutor. You will speak to your tutor individually to agree an individual learning plan (ILP) for you, and at regular times in the course to discuss your progress.

## **ASSESSMENT AND PROGRESSION**

This is a bursary course, and you are expected to attend 100% of the course. There will be regular assessment tasks throughout the course to monitor your progress. The Prelim exam in February will prepare you for the final exam in May. You will also complete evidence in portfolio or presentation form for the Work Placement unit.

Students from this course can progress to:

- level 5/6 options for health (routes to nursing), social care, pharmacy, dental depending on existing qualifications and entry requirements.
- Other college courses if you achieve the required score in your SQA National 5 ESOL and your other qualifications also meet the criteria.
- Higher ESOL plus study
- Work

There will not be classes on the days of the exams.