Foundation Degree in Healthcare Practice

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses) or Academic Regulations (Apprentices) as relevant. These regulations are available online via the Open University ‘Student Policies and Regulations’ website at https://help.open.ac.uk/documents/policies.

Withdrawal of qualification
Approval has been given for this qualification to be withdrawn. The final date on which it will be awarded is 31 December 2023.

Award letters
FD (Open)

Entry requirements
You must be working in healthcare practice for a minimum of two days per week and you must be supported in your studies by your employer.

Maximum duration of study
Apprenticeship time limit: If this qualification is studied as part of an Open University Apprenticeship Programme, there will be a planned Start and End date under which the apprenticeship (including qualification) must be completed. This takes precedence over any other Open University academic time limit.

Academic time limit: 12 years

Credit requirement
240

Stage 1 (120 credits)
60 credits from the specified compulsory module and 60 credits from the specified compulsory work-based module

Stage 2 (120 credits)
60 credits from the specified compulsory work-based module and 60 credits from the specified core option modules

Maximum transferred credit
150 credits. There is no credit transfer permitted towards the specified compulsory work-based module at OU Stage 2.

Maximum age of credit transfer
16 years
Unique study requirement
90 credits

Additional rules
None