

# COWLEY

## SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

LEVEL 3

# NURSING



## Overview

The Nurse Cadet programme has been extremely successful, since its launch in 2017. The programme is equivalent to three A-levels and provides valuable experience in a variety of different health care settings, primarily in the NHS and local care provider settings.

Cadets will spend two days a week on placement in a hospital, equivalent to over 800 hours of work experience.

All students will be expected to wear a uniform during their studies and this will be provided.

This course offers students the ability to choose the most appropriate pathway for them into a number of health care professions. For some this will lead directly onto a Nursing degree followed by a successful career in Nursing. Others may follow the Nursing Apprenticeship route, or work as a care assistant in a hospital with a view to eventually becoming a nurse.

## The Nurse Cadetship includes:

- DBS check
- First Aid
- Sign language qualification
- Work experience placement within the St Helens & Knowsley NHS Trust
- Uniform



**Rebecca, Ethan and Megan**  
Cowley Nurse Cadets



I have worked on a number of different departments in hospitals, which has helped my decision of which area of Nursing I want to work in when I leave Sixth Form.

- Rebecca

“So far I have had work placement on the Frailty and General Assessment ward and I am really enjoying the work experience. At first I was quite nervous going into a Hospital to work, but everyone has been friendly and made me feel part of the team.”

- Ethan

“I joined Cowley Sixth Form from De La Salle and made friends straight away.

I am really enjoying the Nurse Cadet course, in particular the 2-day a week placement. I have had placements on an Orthopaedic ward and a Stroke ward at Whiston Hospital and this has given me the opportunity to learn completely different skills as the wards are so different.”

- Megan

# Progression



This course provides Cadets with an opportunity to enter into a wide variety of university courses at Honours or Foundation level. Areas of employment that students could progress onto include: Social Care, Social Services, Public Health and local Government.