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Welcome to the first monthly newsletter from the Distancelearningcentre.com

Each month we will keep you abreast of everything that is happening with us, whether it be news of new courses, details of our student successes or general interesting tales about our staff or past & present students.

We hope you enjoy reading this newsletter and please feel free to share the newsletter with friends, family or co-workers.

UCAS APPLICATIONS



January saw the Distancelearningcentre.com submit **602 UCAS applications** for students on our Access to HE Diplomas. This is an increase of 6% compared to last year.

At time of writing, already 131 of this year's applicants have been offered conditional places at the university of their choice.

We would like to take this opportunity to send our best wishes to everyone applying for a place at University.

MEET THE PEOPLE

Distancelearningcentre.com students do not get the chance to really know the people that offer support and help by phone or email, therefore we thought it would be good to allow you to put a face to the name\voice.



This month we will start with Jane Dowd our Executive Manager for Student Services & H.E.

At Distancelearningcentre.com students will have contact with Jane by phone or email as she manages & monitors your enrolment process, gives information, advice and guidance with regards to University entry and progression routes, monitors your progression and lastly coordinates all your University applications to ensure they are submitted on time.

So really, Jane is with you from start to finish along your journey through your distance learning qualification. She is the 'go to' person with regards to your UCAS application. If you have any problems with your UCAS application, Jane is always happy to discuss and advise you. She has great contacts with the Universities so can negotiate with the University on your behalf.

If you need to get hold of Jane please email her at studentservices@distancelearningcentre.com

In her spare time she enjoys walking, travelling and going to the theatre.

ALUMNI

Calling all past students!

We are looking to form an Alumni of all students who have successfully studied with the Distancelearningcentre.com and have gone on to bigger and better things in their lives.

As we pride ourselves on the support we give to our students whilst they are learning with us, we find we often do not know what you have gone on to do once you have completed your course.

Did you get on the University course you wanted?

Did you complete your degree with flying colours?

Are you now working in your dream job?

Would you be interested in joining an Alumni to share your experiences and stories or pass on your wisdom to other people who are looking to pursue an alternative career or are unsure at what can be achieved?

If so please email your interest at learn@distancelearningcentre.com

FAB 5 AWARDS



The **Fab 5 Award** is our chance to give recognition to students for outstanding achievement, whether academic or personal, on DistanceLearningCentre.com Access to Higher Education Diplomas.

Awarded in August each year, the Fab 5 Award is open to all students who achieve a full Access to Higher Education Diploma with Distancelearningcentre.com.

Winners are repaid the full cost of their Access Diploma in recognition of their exceptional achievements; they also receive an official Fab 5 Award Certificate.

For full details and terms & conditions of the award please click [here](#)

FAB 5 AWARD WINNER - UPDATE



Jade England winner 2016 After completing her Access to Midwifery Diploma, Jade received 2 offers from Universities in Wales. She is now studying Midwifery at the University of South Wales. *"I am just finishing my first placement block and have thoroughly enjoyed every second of the course so far. I can't wait to see what exciting experiences the rest of my time as a student Midwife will bring!"*



Katie Dutton winner 2016 After overcoming serious health issues during her studies, Katie completed her Access to HE Diploma (Nursing, Midwifery and Health Professions) and has accepted a place at De Montfort University in Leicester and to start her BSc in Adult Nursing this February.



Martin Harvey winner 2016 Martin started a University course in 2016 however the course had not met up to expectations and he is looking at changing courses for 2018. *"Even though you think you know what you wanted to do having selected and passed the Access course, you may still find that the reality of what you thought you wanted to study is different. The fact is the Access course you passed will meet entry requirements for many other degrees - there are still options open to you to change."*



Sharon Worgan Winner 2014

Sharon is starting her third year of a nursing degree and is *"having the most amazing time at university."* She recently spent time on an international placement in Rwanda.



Phil Poskitt Winner 2015

Phil is in his final year of his Paramedic Practice course at Sheffield Hallam University. He only has a couple more weeks at the actual university then a period of placement to get his hours to sign off as a qualified Paramedic.

Sharon was one of three students who went out Rwanda to do research on infection rates, 'information share' in the local polytechnic and develop a sepsis screening tool based on the QSOFA theory for use in the hospital. Their work was well received and the hospital now uses the tool on many of their wards and there is a possibility of tool being used in 12 local health centres. After a further placement this summer, Sharon has her heart set on a career in A&E and maybe one day going on to do her advanced practitioner course.

Phil's interest in prehospital care has led him to specialise in areas he enjoys the most and he is now working towards achieving a Diploma in 12-Lead ECG Interpretation with the SCST (Society for Cardiological Science & Technology).

He has also recently been asked to go back to Sheffield Hallam as a qualified Paramedic to assist in teaching the ECG modules.

COURSE UPDATE



September 2016 saw the Distancelearningcentre.com launch 3 brand new qualifications

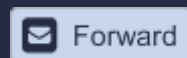
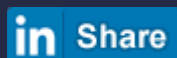
[Access to Childhood Studies](#) gives you the opportunity to apply for a degree in Early Childhood, Childhood Studies, Youth Studies, and other related degrees which can lead to careers working with (and for) children in a wide variety of specialisms such as in education, social care, the health sector, or the charity and voluntary sectors.

This Diploma is also an excellent way to improve your job prospects, such as Nursery assistant / practitioner (NHS), Learning Support Assistant, Teaching Assistant, or Youth Worker.

[Access to Business](#) creates versatile pathways which give you the opportunity to apply for a degree in a range of disciplines including Business Management, Business & Finance and Finance & Accounting. However, not all careers need a degree and an Access to HE Diploma in Business is also an excellent way to maximise job prospects and develop a career in Human Resources, General Management, Business Administration and Finance & Accounting in either the private or public sectors. This diploma also offers a useful source of knowledge and understanding if you wish to start your own business.

[Access to Construction](#) gives you the opportunity to apply for a degree across a range of professional areas in Construction and The Built Environment. These include Construction Management and Construction Project Management, Quantity Surveying, Building Surveying, Commercial Management in Construction, Construction Design and Health & Safety. This Diploma is also ideal for pursuing opportunities or developing career prospects in the following areas Tendering and Estimating, Business Development, Marketing, Cost Control, Quality Control and Administration in Construction.

These new courses are proving popular with students already studying towards their Access in HE Diploma. Several of these students have already being offered a conditional place at a University of their choice.



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