

## Certificate in Understanding Autism

This popular on-line course is designed for learners who wish to develop an understanding of autism and how to support individuals with autism.

### Learning outcomes

- Learn about what is meant by autism, theories and diagnosis
- Learn about using a person-centred approach to support individuals with autism
- Develop your understanding of communication and social interaction in individuals with autism
- Learn about sensory processing, perception and cognition in individuals with autism
- Learn how to support positive behaviour in individuals with autism
- Learn how support individuals with autism to live healthy and fulfilled lives

### Who is this course for?

This qualification is designed for learners who wish to develop an understanding of autism and how to support individuals with autism for personal reason or who wish to progress into employment where an understanding of autism and knowledge of how to support people with autism is required.

Each unit contains an assessment to demonstrate your knowledge of each subject area. Once you successfully complete all units you will achieve a Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Autism.

### Unit 1: Introduction to autism

- Understand what is meant by 'autism'
- Know theories that relate to autism
- Know how autism is diagnosed
- Understand the characteristics that may be present in individuals with autism
- Understand common misconceptions surrounding autism.

### Unit 2: Using a person-centred approach to support individuals with autism

- Know how legislation and guidance underpins support for individuals with autism
- Understand how to support individuals with autism using a person-centred approach.

### Unit 3: Communication and social interaction in individuals with autism

- Understand speech, language and communication in individuals with autism
- Understand how social interaction may differ in individuals with autism
- Know strategies that are used to support communication and social interaction for individuals with autism.

### Unit 4: Sensory processing, perception and cognition in individuals with autism

Understand how individuals with autism process sensory information  
Know how to recognise and support sensory needs  
Understand the cognitive differences individuals with autism may have in processing information.

Unit 5: Supporting positive behaviour in individuals with autism

Understand behaviour within the context of autism  
Know how to support positive behaviour  
Understand how to support individuals to develop coping strategies.

Unit 6: Supporting individuals with autism to live healthy and fulfilled lives

Understand the experience of living with autism  
Know how to support individuals to maintain their personal safety  
Understand the purpose of positive risk-taking  
Know how to support individuals with transitions and life events  
Know how to support individuals to access services and facilities  
Know how to support individuals with employment.

Course Duration

10 weeks

Recommended Study

10 hours per week

What Computer software will I need?

To study online you will require the following:

An Internet enabled PC running Microsoft Windows operating system  
A Web browser (JavaScript and Cookie enabled)  
An active email account  
Ability to read and edit MS Word documents (DOC, DOCX) using MS Word or similar word processing software (e.g. LibreOffice). You may need additional software programs for IT courses – please contact us for more information  
Adobe Acrobat Reader or a similar PDF reader

Supported Web Browsers

The following web browsers are currently supported.

Internet Explorer 11  
Microsoft Edge \*  
Google Chrome \*  
Mozilla Firefox \*

\* Microsoft Edge, Firefox and Chrome follow a continuous release policy. We will support the last 2 major versions of each of these browsers.

Please ensure that your browser has JavaScript and Cookies enabled as this will be required in order to access our e-learning platform and courses. If you are still unsure, you can visit [whatismybrowser.com](http://whatismybrowser.com) to check your system meets with the minimum requirements.

## Entry Requirements

The course is aimed at those 19 years (as at 31st August 2021) and over.

Once we receive your application we will send you an email link to complete your registration.

When applying for one of our free courses you will be asked to supply a copy of your ID, which can be either a passport, driving licence, birth certificate or national identity card. If you were born outside the EU, you must have proof of residency status and you will need to provide a copy for our records. If you have declared you are in receipt of benefits you will also need to provide us with evidence of this.

Please note whilst there is no limit to the number of free courses you can complete, you can only study one free course at a time.

In some instances fully funded applications are subject to postcode eligibility.

## What's Next

You may like to consider one of our other on-line courses available at [www.gloscol.ac.uk](http://www.gloscol.ac.uk)



## Your Options

	Start Date	End Date	Course Level
<b>Certificate in Understanding Autism (Part Time)</b>			
Online	01/08/22	31/07/23	2