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### Course information

**Duration:**

6 months

**Notional Study Time:**

300 hours

**Delivery:**

Interactive blended  
online learning including  
videos and Q&A sessions  
to ensure learners get the  
opportunity to ask  
questions and discuss  
with peers.

**Course Assessment:**

1,500 word reflective essay (30%)

3,500 word case study  
(70%)

Coursework: 100%

University of  
Hertfordshire **UH**

## Enhancing Asthma Care in Professional Practice

Short Course  
Level 6/Degree Level

### Course Content

This course is aimed at any health care professional who wants to develop a leading role in the delivery and management of services for people with asthma and their families. This course aims to equip students with the knowledge and skills to develop as autonomous practitioners in safe, effective and evidence-based practice in the field of asthma.

This multi-professional course focuses upon the assessment and management of the individual with asthma within the context of the wider community. Importance is placed on a patient centred approach, the health needs of the individual, health promotion and self-empowerment, whilst acknowledging the professional, political and social climate within which services are provided.

### Course Aim:

This course aims to equip students with the knowledge and skills to develop as autonomous practitioners in safe, effective and evidence-based practice in the field of asthma.

### Knowledge and Understanding:

Successful students will typically be able to:

1. Evaluate the pathophysiology of asthma in relation to diagnostic processes, predisposing factors for asthma and differential diagnosis.
2. Critically appraise current national and international guidelines and other drivers for asthma care, and apply findings to their own area of work including patients with co-morbidities or complex needs.
3. Evaluate the evidence base to support the use of different objective tests available to aid in the diagnosis of asthma.

### Skills and Attributes:

Successful students will typically be able to:

1. Interpret patient history & clinical data in order to comprehensively and accurately diagnose asthma.
2. Evaluate therapeutic interventions to assess, gain and maintain control of asthma and minimise the psychosocial impact of asthma.
3. Evaluate the evidence relating to the assessment and management of worsening and acute asthma including the role of self-management and examine risk factor for asthma death.
4. Critically appraise the role of the multi-disciplinary team in the organisation & delivery of care for people with asthma, their families and carers; evaluating their own role within the team.

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