

Health Sciences

Autism Awareness

This qualification aims to develop learner's understanding of autism and the principles of supporting autistic individuals.

When does this start and end?	What are the entry requirements?	Need more information?
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5 March 2026 - 17 May 2026	Applicants will need a good level of both written and spoken English and already achieved a level 1 qualification.	You can find out more about Northern College and the courses on offer by calling us on 01226 776000 or emailing us courses@northern.ac.uk

Course description

The course will cover strategies for supporting autistic individuals, including the person-centred approach, communication, and positive behaviour. It will also consider how individuals with autism can be supported to live healthy and fulfilled lives. It has been designed for learners who wish to develop an understanding of autism and how to support individuals with autism at work or in personal life.

What can this course lead to?

Learners who achieve this qualification could progress to:

- Level 3 Diploma for the Children's Workforce (Early Years Educator)
- Level 3 Certificate in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care
- Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults) for England
- Level 3 Diploma for Residential Childcare (England)

- Level 3 Certificate in Understanding Autism

Additionally, the objective of this qualification is to help learners to progress within employment in a variety of sectors, and in a number of job roles where an understanding of autism and knowledge of how to support people with autism is required.

Want to learn more?

You can find out more about Northern College and the courses on offer at one of our Open Events [<https://www.northern.ac.uk/open-events/>]

Course session dates

Session dates for 5 March 2026 - 17 May 2026

- Thursday 05 Mar 2026 to Friday 06 Mar 2026
- Thursday 12 Mar 2026 to Friday 13 Mar 2026
- Friday 20 Mar 2026 to Sunday 22 Mar 2026
- Thursday 26 Mar 2026 to Friday 27 Mar 2026
- Thursday 16 Apr 2026 to Friday 17 Apr 2026
- Friday 24 Apr 2026 to Sunday 26 Apr 2026
- Thursday 30 Apr 2026 to Friday 01 May 2026
- Thursday 07 May 2026 to Friday 08 May 2026
- Friday 15 May 2026 to Sunday 17 May 2026

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