

# WEA Course information sheet 2019-20



<b>Course title:</b> The History of Medicine - from Cowpox to Choleraform		<b>Course ID:</b> C2341702
<b>Start date:</b> 15/10/2019	<b>End date:</b> 26/11/2019	<b>Day(s)/time(s):</b> Tue 14:00
<b>Number of sessions:</b> 7	<b>Hours per session:</b> 1.5	<b>Tutor:</b> David Halliwell
<b>Additional hours:</b>	<b>Online Learning Hours:</b> 0	
<b>Specific funder/partner requirements:</b>		
<b>Awarding body (if any):</b> <b>Title of qualification to be gained:</b>		<b>Level:</b> Level 2
<b>Fee:</b> £42.00 or <b>Free</b> if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) <b>Accreditation Fee</b> (if applicable):		
<b>Venue:</b> Long Bennington Village Hall, Main Road, Long Bennington, Newark, Notts, NG23 5DJ		
<p><b>Theme(s):</b> The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision.</p> <p><b>Employability</b> – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment</p> <p><b>Health and Wellbeing</b> – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing</p> <p><b>Community Engagement</b> – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities</p> <p><b>Culture</b> – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments</p> <p>The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:</p> <p>1. <b>Culture Education</b>    2.</p>		

**Course Aim**  
To study key turning points in the History of Medicine from the first vaccine to major advances in surgery. From cowpox to chloroform.

**Course Description**  
The course will explore key individuals whose advances and commitment revolutionised our understanding of disease and surgery. Edward Jenner's battle against smallpox and development of the first vaccine. Pasteur and Koch's work on the germ theory of disease. John Snow's successful campaign to stop the spread of cholera and the wider battle to improve Public Health. The immense contribution of Simpson, Lister and Landsteiner in overcoming the problems of pain, infection and blood loss during surgery. The course will also consider the inspirational story of Elizabeth Garrett in becoming the first female doctor and conclude with an evaluation of the contribution of Florence Nightingale.

**Do I need any particular skills or experience?**

**What will I achieve?**  
**By the end of the course I will be able to:**

1. Explore key individuals who contributed to significant progress in medicine.
2. Identify key factors that have caused major changes in medicine.

3. Discuss ideas with other students and challenge assumptions about progress.

**What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?**

- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning

**What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?**

- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion

**What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?**

- It would be helpful if you had access to the internet (Mobile phone, tablet or computer at home or through a library etc.)

**Pre-course work, reading and information sources**

- No pre reading is required but research on the subject on the internet or in the library may be helpful

**Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)**

- Progress to another WEA course

**Learning with the WEA**

WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for some courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB Tel: 0300 303 3464 Email: [courseenquiries@wea.org.uk](mailto:courseenquiries@wea.org.uk)

