

Assistive Technology Unit

This popular course gives a thorough overview of assistive technology to support communication and learning. It will run over four day sessions.



The course will focus on the following areas:

Assessment

- Key principles and practice in the assessment process

Access and Positioning

- The range of access methods and devices
- Determining which access method is the most appropriate for an individual
- Assessment and implementation procedures to ensure success

Augmentative and Alternative Communication

- AAC Systems, their features and access methods
- Low, light and high tech systems and when to use them
- Assessment and implementation of AAC

Recording information using symbols, images sound and/or text

- A closer look at resources and capabilities of PowerPoint, SwitchIt! Maker 2, Communicate in Print, Jigworks, Clicker and Cloze Pro
- Supportive software including word prediction, word banks, abbreviation expansion, speech feedback and onscreen keyboards and voice recognition
- Switch access to mouse emulation



Participants are required to complete a 1000 word assignment as part of the course. On completion of the course, you will receive an Assistive Technology Unit Certificate authorised by ACE Centre North.

Further Qualifications

This course can be accredited with Manchester Metropolitan University (MMU) and awarded 20 CAT points (Credit Accumulation Transfer Points). Please note this will require registering with MMU and will incur additional fees payable to the University. Additional information about accreditation of ACE Centre North Courses is available on our website.

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