
NCFE CACHE Technical Level 3 Diploma in Childcare & Education (Early Years Educator)

What is the course about?

The level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education is a Full-time, 2 year course with work placement and is aimed at those working or wishing to work in early year's education and care. This gold standard qualification ensures that the best training and professional standards are followed, resulting in early year's professionals with excellent career prospects and the skills and expertise that employers and learners are looking for.

The learner on completion gains not only their Early Years Educator qualification but it equates to a maximum of 168 UCAS points at grade A*. Students will also have the opportunity to gain Food Hygiene and First Aid certificates.

What are the entry requirements?

The entry requirements are:

- 4 GCSEs at grade C or above including Mathematics and English and a basic level of ICT skills.
- A genuine desire to work with children and young people.
- Experience of working with children and young people is advantageous.
- All candidates will be required to have a police (DBS) check to ensure that they are suitable to work with children and a health check will be completed prior to the start of the course.

What subjects will I study?

- Child Developmental Theories
- Observation and Assessment of Children
- Supporting Children's Health Care Needs
- Play, Learning and Curriculum
- Child Protection and Legislation
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Development of Professional Practice

How will I be assessed?

Students are required to spend 50% of their time in child care settings gaining experience and 50% in main College campus studying theory. Assessment is on a continuous basis and the Course is assessed in a variety of ways including 14 mandatory units that are graded A* - D. Students will need to show competence in both knowledge and skills within a real work environment and their practice will be observed by a highly qualified and experienced assessor.

Each student has to successfully complete:

Theory - 13 mandatory unit assignments, an effective practice study task; an externally set and externally marked assessment task.

Practice – a portfolio of practice evidence, professional development portfolio and reflective journal.

Course materials: Text book CACHE Level 3 Child Care and Education (Early Years Educator) Carolyn Meggitt £24.99

What are my progression and career options?

Employment as an Early Years Educator/university & higher education

Who should I contact?

For further information please contact the Programme Area Secretary, telephone 648203.