Course Information



Caring for Children CACHE Childcare Level 1 Diploma

Study Mode: Full Time Programme Component | Course Level: 1

Is this course right for me?

Are you passionate about the education, development and care of young people?

The BTEC Level 1 Diploma in Early Years Education will help you to develop your knowledge and understanding through hands-on learning in a number of interesting areas including growth and development, food and nutrition, care of children and play, and towards the end of the course you will get the chance to develop your skills further on a short work placement in a local play group.

Studying the course will also introduce you to some of the innovative work being done with children throughout the country and you will also get the chance to visit local parks and play groups and participate in working in the community when helping to support the popular family fun days at Cosford Air Museum.

The course will also help with self-development and developing those all-important employability skills that will help you decide what your career path should be.

As part of the course you will get the chance to upgrade your English and maths skills and tutors will also support you if you wish to progress to the next level of study.

Also, if you earn less than £30,000 per year and aged 19 or over, you could study this course for FRFF!

Entry Requirements

To access this course you are required to have:

- Three or more GCSEs at grade 2 (E) or above, including English & maths OR
- Functional Skills Level 1 English & maths

Plus:

- An interest in the subject and keenness to study
- Good attendance and punctuality

Please note:

- Acceptance on the course is subject to an interview and you will also be required to have a satisfactory DBS (Disclosure & Barring Service) check.
- If you want to progress to the Level 2 qualification you will need to successfully complete this level along with the required level for English and Maths.

What will I learn?

During this course you will study a range of topics and learn about:

- Children's play and leisure activities in the community
- Sharing learning experiences with Children
- Growth and development of young children
- Supporting babies to play
- Self-development
- Listening to and talking with young children
- Healthy eating for families
- Practical health and safety when with young children
- Craft activities for young children
- Respecting and valuing children
- Safeguarding the welfare of children and young people
- Preparing for your next steps

You will also study maths and English which are a crucial part of developing the necessary skills for your continued progression.

What skills will I gain?

By studying this course you will:

- Develop skills to effectively communicate with children
- Be able to plan a physical care routine for children
- Prepare activities which will encourage children to eat healthily
- Understand how to provide a safe environment for children
- Know how to value children by treating each as an individual
- Practice ways in which you can provide a stimulating environment for children
- Gain valuable team working and communication skills by taking part in a group activity which would engage children in a variety of activities
- Develop your skills in reading, writing & speaking through presentations to fellow students, reading and following instructions, planning and evaluating activities and completing job applications
- Develop your maths skills by designing games and activities for children (using number & calculation), organising practical early years activities (using measure, volume & quantity) and keeping children safe (using ratios)

How will I be assessed?

You wil be assessed throughout the course in the following ways:

- Project work
- Assignments
- Peer assessments
- Presentations
- Case studies
- Workbooks
- Controlled assessment carried out in exam conditions.

You will also be required to sit exams for English and maths. Y=

What can I do next?

Completion of this course will enable you to:

- Take the first steps towards a career in early years education
- Progress to the Level 2 CACHE (Council for Awards in Childcare & Education) Diploma in Early Years

Why study with us?

Past students on this course have progressed to higher levels of study at the college and then moved on to further study at university. Once fully qualified, many of our learners have gained employment in the early years' sector in schools, nurseries and many other settings.

Throughout the course you will be supported by fully qualified tutors who will provide training in early Years, observe and assess your performance in each unit, check and mark your work and give you regular feedback.

They will also support you to develop a portfolio of work and put together your CV or personal statement.

To enhance your learning you will also get the chance to hear presentations from guest speakers working in the sector including early years' professionals, health care professionals and employment agencies.

Delivery

Location: Wellington Road Campus

Start Date: 01/09/2025

Day: Time:

Course Fee:

Course Code: CP0058

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