



Level 3 Diploma for Early Years Practitioner (Early Years Educator)

What is involved in studying this course?

You will be required to demonstrate an in-depth understanding of early years education and care, including:-

- Support and promote children's early education and development, plan and provide effective care and learning that enables children to progress and prepares them for school
- Make accurate and productive use of assessment, develop effective and informed practice
- Safeguard and promote the health safety and well-being of children
- Work in partnership with the key person, colleagues, parents and/or carers or other professional

To achieve this you must achieve 64 credits from the mandatory units

- Developing effective study skills
- Promote Partnership working with parents
- Model, promote and support positive behaviour with children
- Principles of safeguarding policies and procedures in early years settings
- Promoting diversity, equality and inclusion in the early years sector
- Working in partnership with colleagues and other professionals in early years settings
- Plan and implement activities, play opportunities and educational programmes in an early years setting
- Promoting children's health and welfare in an early years setting
- Promoting the health and safety of children
- Promote children's speech, language and communication development
- Support organisational requirements for recording, storing and disclosing information and providing reports in an early years setting
- Supporting children's creative and imaginative play and experiences
- Supporting children experiencing transitions and significant events in the early years sector
- Continuous professional development using reflective practice in the early years sector
- Child development from conception to 7 years
- Observation and assessment in the early years sector

How will I be assessed?

You will be required to complete a portfolio of evidence and will be assigned an experienced, qualified assessor who will assess your competency in the real work environment, together with knowledge and understanding using methods such as direct observation, oral and written questioning and case studies. There are also four externally moderated City and Guild assignments which include a longitudinal study.

Do I need to be working to take the qualification?

Yes, you will need to be working in an appropriate setting as you need to show competence in both knowledge and skills. In some instances volunteering or work placement may be acceptable, but will need to be discussed before entry on an individual basis.

What is the age range of this qualification?

Age range gives focus to early years with both qualifications requiring competency assessment 0-5 years and knowledge 0-7 years.

How long does it take to complete?

You will usually complete it in 18 month to 2 years.

Is this course funded via 24+ loan?

Yes this course qualifies for a 24+ loan. Please ask for further details

Please note, self-funding learners will not be required to have achieved GCSE English and Mathematics Grade A* to C before commencing their Early Years Educator qualification. However, if learners who complete the Early Years Educator qualification do not achieve a minimum of grade C English and Mathematics at GCSE they will not be able to be counted towards a nursery's ratios at level 3.

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