



Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

CRICOS Code	081612A
National Code	CHC30113
Course Number	25272
Qualification	Certificate III
Study Area	Childrens Services
Course Type	Stand alone or Package
Training Package	Community Services

Description

Learn the skills to understand the needs of young children and support their development. The Certificate 3 in Early Childhood Education and Care will teach you how to care for children, nurture their development and make sure their environment is safe and supportive.

If you're looking to work as a nanny or childcare assistant, this qualification is ideal.

This qualification is for people who want to work as an early childhood educator in a centre-based service and family day care. This is the nationally regulated entry level qualification for working in early childhood education and care.

You will learn how to use a national learning framework, regulations and quality standards to support the education and care of children from birth to school age.

You will be able to facilitate play and ensure children's health and safety while supporting their learning and wellbeing.

This qualification reflects the role of workers in a range of early childhood education settings who work within the requirements of the Education and Care Services National Regulations and the National Quality Standard. They support the implementation of an approved learning framework, and support children's wellbeing, learning and development. Depending on the setting, educators may work under direct supervision or autonomously.

Entry Requirements

Academic

Year 10 or equivalent

English

Academic IELTS 5.5 or TOEFL (iBT) 46 or Certificate 3 in Advanced English for Further Study at TAFE NSW or equivalent

Course

If you are seeking to enrol in a First Aid unit of competency you are advised that to complete the unit you must be able to perform basic life support skills, for example perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). If you have a disability that would prevent you from performing required basic life support skills you are advised that you will not be able to achieve the unit of competency.

Work placement

Workplace learning ('on-the-job' training) of a 120 hours in total, is required for the achievement of competencies to receive the Certificate 3 in Early Childhood Education and Care. A teacher will secure a work placement for you and assist in the organisation of the workplace learning and associated workplace activities in line with TAFE NSW policy.

Career opportunities

Early childhood educator
Family day care educator
Nanny

Future study options

On completion of this course, you have the option of continuing to study with us. You may choose to combine two courses as your study package. If the course is D2D, it will allow you to enter a bachelor degree program with guaranteed credit at our partner universities. Visa requirements may apply.

Core units

Develop cultural competence
Develop positive and respectful relationships with children
Ensure the health and safety of children
Identify and respond to children and young people at risk

- Participate in workplace health and safety
- Promote and provide healthy food and drinks
- Provide an emergency first aid response in an education and care setting
- Provide care for babies and toddlers
- Provide care for children
- Provide experiences to support children's play and learning
- Support the holistic development of children in early childhood
- Use an approved learning framework to guide practice
- Use information about children to inform practice
- Work effectively with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people
- Work within a relevant legal and ethical framework

Students must complete all core units and any additional units that may be required. Additional units (either compulsory or elective) are chosen by the teaching staff and may vary by campus and semester.

Course related fees

Additional costs for uniforms, equipment, textbooks and materials (if applicable) range from A\$300 - \$1,000 per course

Campus	Duration	Fee	Date
Crows Nest	0.5 Year	A\$7,310	Feb 2016
Crows Nest	0.5 Year	A\$7,310	Jul 2016
Meadowbank	0.5 Year	A\$7,310	Feb 2016
Meadowbank	0.5 Year	A\$7,310	Jul 2016
Meadowbank	0.5 Year	A\$7,310	Feb 2017
Meadowbank	0.5 Year	A\$7,310	Jul 2017
St Leonards	0.5 Year	A\$7,310	Feb 2017
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For further general information about qualifications, work placement, articulation, facilities and equipment, assessment and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) please contact us.

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are also subject to review and/or change at any time.