

Course Level: Level 2

Campus: Newcastle

Subject Type: Care, Education, Nursing & Midwifery

Course Overview:

Prepare for a fulfilling career in early years and primary education with our NCFE CACHE Level 2 Certificate program. Explore key principles and practices in child development, education and safeguarding. Gain practical experience through placements in early years settings and primary schools. This comprehensive programme equips you with the skills and knowledge needed to support children's learning and development effectively. Whether you aspire to become a teaching assistant, nursery practitioner, or early years educator, this certificate is your pathway to success in the rewarding field of working with children.

What's Covered:

This qualification covers a range of key subject areas that provide learners with the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to care for and educate children aged between 0 and 11 years 11 months old. Some of the units that are covered during this qualification include: child development, play and learning, exploring legislation, the role of the practitioner, nutrition and physical develop. Within the course you will also study GCSE Maths and English Language (if required).

Entry Requirements:

You will need 4 GCSEs at grade 3 or above.

Assessment Information:

This qualification is made up of 6 units assessed through assignments. There are no external exams included in this qualification.

Two placements are required to be completed, one in a nursery setting and one in a school with a placement visit in each. There is also a mandatory Professional Skills Record (PSR) which must be completed during the work placement.

Fees and Financial Support:

This course is free for anyone aged 16 – 18.

College Maintenance Allowance (CMA):

Anyone with a gross household income under £35,000 can receive financial support to cover college related costs such as transport, meals, course equipment and uniform. Bursary support is based on individual circumstances and will be allocated to best suit your individual needs. A range of other financial support is available depending on your personal circumstances. For more details visit nscg.ac.uk/finance

Progression:

If you are successful on this course, achieving a Merit grade or above and GCSE English Language at grade 4 or above, you may be able to continue studying the T Level in Education and Early Years (subject to entry criteria)

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What else do I need to know?

This qualification has a minimum requirement of 120 work placement hours. However, we recommend learners undertake at least 200 work placement hours.

As you will be working with children you will need to have a clearance form which is called a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) in order to ensure the safety of the vulnerable children and young adults that you will come into contact with.

How do I find out more?

If you wish to find out more you can contact Caroline Badland-Jackson, Curriculum Leader in Early Years, by emailing: caroline.badland-jackson@nscg.ac.uk