

Level 3 Technical Occupational Entry for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator Diploma)



Course Level: Level 3

Campus: Stafford

Subject Type: Care, Education, Nursing & Midwifery

Course Overview:

Gain a comprehensive understanding of early years education and care, demonstrating your ability to support children's early education and development effectively. Learn to plan and provide high-quality care, teaching, and learning experiences that prepare children for school readiness.

What's Covered:

Course content includes a wide range of topics delivered to include:

- Introduction to the role of the early years educator
- Holistic child development
- Children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)
- Effective communication in an early years setting
- Safeguarding and welfare requirements
- Health, wellbeing and safety
- Promoting an effective early years curriculum
- Assessment of children's learning and development
- Understanding play for learning and holistic development
- Partnership working

Progress is monitored and assessments arranged which take place on-the-job. An emphasis is on practical skills supported by knowledge. Assessment has three aspects: observation of performance, knowledge and understanding you show to written/oral questioning and assignments, and a portfolio of supporting evidence. Completion of the Level 3 Technical Occupational Diploma will support you in gaining full-time employment in Early years as a qualified Early Years Educator.

Entry Requirements:

A Level 2 qualification is preferable in Early Years or equivalent but experience will be considered.

Maths and English levels to be discussed at interview, preferable GCSE grade 4/C.

Assessment Information:

Assessed through set assignments and through workplace observations and professional discussions. An e-portfolio of evidence is collated with the support of your tutor and assessor to meet the assessment criteria.

Fees and Financial Support:

If you are 19-23, it is your first Level 3, and are studying an SFA approved Level 3 programme you may be eligible for full fee remission.

You can apply for an Advanced Learner Loan or Higher Education Loan to help with the costs of your course if you are 19 or older and the course you are studying is an eligible Level 3, 4, 5 or 6 course. If you have any queries with regards to the funding of your course, please email

FeeRemission@nscg.ac.uk or call 01782 254268.

For more information, visit nscg.ac.uk/Finance

Progression:

Career progression within the sector and also progression on to higher level courses, including the foundation degree after one year post experience of gaining the Level 3.

How do I find out more?

Complete an application form on-line to enable you to be invited for an interview.