

Course Level: Level 3

Campus: Newcastle

Subject Type: Care, Education, Nursing & Midwifery

Course Overview:

Prepare for a rewarding career in Education and Early Years development.

Acquire a deep understanding of child development, educational support techniques, and safeguarding principles to assist teaching professionals in providing high-quality learning experiences. Foster an inclusive and supportive environment that values diversity and addresses special educational needs. Develop strong communication skills to engage with families, caregivers, and external agencies in nurturing children's educational growth and well-being.

What's Covered:

Do you want to work with children and young people of all ages? Our Level 3 T-Level in Education & Early Years will give you the foundations you need to set you on the path towards your ideal career. Focusing on working with children aged 0-19, the T-Level qualification combines learning in the classroom with gaining vital 'on-the-job' experience.

Year one will provide you with a comprehensive understanding of key topics such as supporting education, child development, safeguarding, and working in partnership. You'll also explore Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) and develop a range of hands-on skills through your placement.

The Assisting Teaching pathway is perfect for those who want to inspire and support children aged 5 years and above in a school setting. You'll learn how to help pupils thrive in their learning by working alongside teachers, planning and delivering activities, and supporting children with different needs in the classroom. This pathway gives you the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in schools, developing the skills to build positive relationships with pupils and contribute to their progress. This pathway prepares you for a role as a Teaching Assistant, but it also opens the door to a wide range of careers in education such as becoming a Primary or Secondary School Teacher.

Entry Requirements:

You'll need a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English Language and in subjects that are relevant to the course you'd like to study.

Assessment Information:

You will be assessed through written and practical examinations, employer projects, group work, presentations and analysis. You will also be observed and assessed in the workplace

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

100%

pass rate

100%

achieved Merit or above in 2025

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:

This course will boost your employment prospects by offering hands on experience through a work placement in a real-world setting. This practical pathway can lead you straight into rewarding roles such as Teaching Assistant, Learning Support Assistant, or Special Educational Needs (SEN) Support Worker. Alternatively you could progress on to university to further your studies to become a Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA), Primary School Teacher, Speech and Language Therapist or Education psychologist.

How do I find out more?

If you wish to find out more you can contact Victoria Stanton (Curriculum Leader) by emailing: victoria.stanton@nscg.ac.uk