

T Level in Education and Early Years (Early Years Educator)

Ofsted Outstanding Provider

Course Level: Level 3

Campus: Newcastle

Subject Type: Care, Education, Nursing & Midwifery

Course Overview:

Delve into Education and Early Years development spanning from infancy to adolescence.

Acquire knowledge in child development, educational support strategies, and safeguarding principles crucial for ensuring the well-being of children and young people. Embrace diversity and inclusivity, addressing special educational needs and fostering supportive environments. Learn effective communication techniques to collaborate with families, caregivers, and external agencies, while continuously engaging in reflective practice to enhance professional growth.

What's Covered:

Are you thinking about a future working in education? 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 foundation you need to set you on the path towards your ideal career.

Focussing 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
Early Years pathway
is designed for those interested in working with children from birth to 5 years old in settings like day nurseries, nursery schools, and reception classes. You will learn how to support children’s development, plan educational activities, and address their physical, emotional, and social needs. This pathway prepares you for roles in early years education, you gain a license to practice, and is a stepping stone to become a Primary School Teacher.

100%

pass rate

96.3%

achieved Merit or above in 2026

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 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 experience will prepare you for immediate employment in early years roles, such as Nursery Nurse, Family Support Worker, or Early Years Educator. Alternatively, you can progress to university to further your studies and become a Primary School Teacher.

How do I find out more?

If you wish to find out more you can contact Eleanor Dronzek (Curriculum Leader) by emailing: eleanor.dronzek@nscg.ac.uk