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CACHE Award/Certificate/Diploma (Level 3) In Child Care and Education

Course information

Why choose CACHE Child Care and Education?

Welcome to the CACHE Level 3 Award / Certificate / Diploma in Child Care and Education.

If you enjoy working with children and learning about how they grow and develop, you will enjoy this course.

This qualification prepares you to work unsupervised, or in a supervisory capacity, with children and their families in a variety of settings and environments within the sector of Children's Services.

Course Outline:

This qualification is split into three stages; Award, Certificate and Diploma, with the Award and Certificate building towards the Level 3 Diploma. You will study for the Award and Certificate in Year 12 and hopefully progress into the Diploma in Year 13. The Diploma is the equivalent of 3 A Levels.

Practical Training

A total of 125 days practical training is recommended. Work experience will be carried out with the following age groups:

- Birth to 11 months 15 days (recommended)
- 1 – 3 years 11 months 30 days (recommended)
- 4 – 7 years 11 months 40 days (recommended)

The remaining 40 days may be allocated to any of these groups, or to the age groups from 7 years 11 months to 16 years.

Award	Certificate	Diploma	Unit 1	An introduction to working with children	Multiple choice question paper
			Unit 2	Development from conception to age 16 years	Assessment task
Unit 3			Supporting children	Assessment task	
Unit 4			Keeping children safe	Assessment task	
Unit 5			The principles underpinning the role of the practitioner working with children	Assessment task	
External assessment; short answer test based on a seen case study					
			Unit 6	Promoting a healthy environment for children	Assessment task (portfolio)
			Unit 7	Play and learning in children's education	Assessment task (portfolio)
			Unit 8	Caring for children	Assessment task (portfolio)
			Unit 9	Development of professional skills within children's education	Practice Evidence Records Professional Development Profiles
		Units 10 – 21	3 Optional Units	Assessment tasks	
External assessment; research task					

Careers and progression:

You may want to progress on to higher level qualifications. These may include professional development such as CACHE Level 4 professional development qualifications or higher education qualifications, for example, nursing or teaching. This will be subject to the individual requirements of the university or Higher Education College.

Entry requirements:

CACHE does not recommend any formal entry qualification. However, you should be over 16 years of age, and able to show that you will be able to cope with the demands of the programme. For example, you have achieved a GCSE at grade C or above in English and at least one other subject.

You should not underestimate the demands of the Diploma programme. You will have to complete both academic and practical work at Level 3. You should have a sensible and mature attitude to both work and study and be prepared to make a considerable commitment of time and effort during your course.

A Level results:

N/A previous course results for CACHE: New course will start Sept 2008.

Enquiries:

Please address all enquiries regarding the CACHE Child Care and Education Course via Samuel Ward Arts and Technology College