



Children's Play, Learning and Development

Knowledge in Children's Play, Learning and Development

In Children's Play, Learning and Development, students gain a broad knowledge and understanding of, and develop skills in the early years sector.

Learning is focused around physical, cognitive, communication & language and emotional & social development. Students develop an understanding of how children learn and how adults can support them to promote development, and covers inclusive practice and how to empower children.

Curriculum Features

The course consists of 3 units:

- Unit 1 - The patterns of child development from birth up to 8 years (Externally assessed – exam)
- Unit 2 - Promoting Children's Development Through Play (Internally assessed)
- Unit 3 - The Principles of Early Years Practice (Internally assessed)

This course is designed to support progression to a level 3 course in College in Early Years, Health and Social Care or Psychology. It also develops employability skills.

Curriculum Enrichment

Students have access to lesson 6 (once per week) if the teacher feels this is necessary to either complete missing/unfinished work or even to get more support in completing work to a higher grade.

Students are encouraged to undertake a week of work experience in an early-years setting or school to support them with their understanding and knowledge in this course.