CHC30113
CERTIFICATE III IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE

This qualification is the minimum standard to work in the Early Childhood Industry.

At 4Life College we offer students interested in pursing a career in Early Childhood Education and Care a nationally recognised Certificate III delivered via a practical and inspiring course.

This course will provide you with the skills to work as an early childhood educator in a centre-based service or family day care and give you the foundation to pursue further study at the Diploma level. You’ll practice real world skills like caring for babies and toddlers, creating educational play environments and communicating with children, as well as exploring the theoretical underpinnings of early childhood education.

Your in-class training will be supported by 120 hours of work placement where you will have the opportunity to further develop your practical knowledge in the workplace. This practical focus will enable you to hone your skills under the guidance of experienced educators and give you the foundation to enter the workforce with confidence.
Why Select 4Life for your Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care?

This is an early childhood course with a practical focus, giving students the skills used in the national learning framework, regulations and quality standards to support the education and care of children from birth to school age. You will learn how to facilitate play, undertake observations, and ensure children’s health and safety while supporting their development and learning.

At 4Life we offer a framework of positive education while you develop your skills. You will participate in interactive class activities, role plays, discussions and written activities, all expertly designed to assist you to become a creative and engaged early childhood educator.

Is the career path right for you?

If you enjoy working with children and are patient, enthusiastic and energetic, and have a sense of humour then this is the right career path for you.

You also need to be physically fit as working with babies, toddlers and children involves bending and lifting.

Career Opportunities

› Early Childhood Assistant
› Outside School Hours Care Assistant
› Playgroup Supervisor
› Recreation Assistant
› Family Day Care Educator
› Nanny

COURSE DETAILS

Delivery Mode

Interactive classroom-based training 15 hours (2 days per week) plus 5 hours on-line per week.

Assessment Methods

› In-class activities
› Case studies
› Short answer
› Research projects
› Presentations
› Simulations
› Workplace observations
› Workplace activities
› Workplace logbook

Learning Materials

Textbook

› The Early Years Learning Framework: Building Confident Learners: ECA
› EYLF and NQS without Tears 2nd edition, Susie Rosback, Sarah Wilson; Teaching Solutions
› Assessment for learning – documentation and planning for the EYLF Bridie Raban; Teaching Solutions

Each student will also receive a basic resource kit.
Entry Requirements

English language requirements: This course requires you to read learner guides, articles, handouts and assessments.

You will require a level of English proficiency to participate in class discussions and activities and to communicate effectively while on work placement.

You will need an IELTS score of 5.5, a TOEFL score of at least 550 or at least 190 in the computer-based TOEFL. If you do not have an IELTS, you can complete an English test on campus.

Age: 18 years and over

Education Requirements: Year 11 or equivalent

Fitness: Work in this industry can be physically demanding. Learners need to be reasonably physically fit in order to work with children. Bending, reaching, stretching and kneeling are common movements required by Early Learning Educators.

Immunisation:

It is recommended that learners have the following immunisations:

› Hepatitis B
› Diphtheria
› Tetanus
› Whooping cough
› Measles, mumps, rubella and varicella (chicken pox)

Intake Dates

› 26 February 2016
› 11 April 2016
› 4 July 2016
› 11 October, 2016
› 9 January 2017
› 3 April 2017

Duration

35 weeks including 120 hours of compulsory work placement in a registered early childhood centre.

Note: Work placement is 20 hours per week – Monday to Friday.

Articulation Pathways

With successful completion, students may decide to continue study and undertake a Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

An RPL kit is available on request.
Your Trainers have many years' experience working with children under 6 years of age. All have current industry experience and related qualifications. They are passionate about preparing students to work in this exciting growth industry.

“Working with children no day is the same, as each child discovers new things and new games to make up. Children have great imaginations and love to learn and it allows me to bring out my inner child. Working as an educator is one of the most rewarding careers and it is an honour to pass this experience to our students.”

4Life staff are here to help you succeed and we want nothing more than to help you graduate.

Some of the ways 4Life can assist you are by:

› Providing on-going contact and personalised support.
› Making a wide range of personal and academic support available to assist you to succeed.

4Life offers a framework of positive education while you develop the skills to become an effective Early Childhood Educator. Your days will be filled with group discussions, written activities, role plays, interactive class activities and practical skill development, all expertly designed to assist you to understand and work as an Early Childhood Educator.
**Course structure:** This course has 18 units of competency, which includes 15 core units and 3 elective units.

**Our classroom-based course is delivered as below:**

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<td>Participate in workplace health and safety</td>
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<td>Support the holistic development of children in early childhood</td>
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<td>Provide and emergency first aid response in an education and care setting</td>
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Work Placement

Most units in this qualification require assessment to be undertaken in the workplace. There are 120 hours of work placement in this course.

4Life will assist you to find a suitable host employer to undertake your work placement. However, many students find work placement themselves, near where they live.

Workplace assessment involves the evaluation of your performance of a range of practical skills under actual workplace conditions, over several occasions. You will practice these skills with your trainer before going on work placement.

Students currently employed in an appropriate workplace may complete their assessment requirements within their own workplace and do not need to find a host employer. However this does not increase the 40 hours per fortnight paid employment available to International students.

a) Logbook, where the learner documents a range of practical tasks observed by their supervisor.

b) Observation by the trainer, where the trainer visits the learner in the workplace and observes the learner perform a variety of tasks.

c) Related written assessment tasks, including written activities and reflections.

Please note work placement is not paid work.

Insurance

4Life College provides insurance cover for the compulsory work placement and will provide an insurance certificate to the host employer.

Additional Requirements

Prior to commencing work placement you may need to meet the following requirements:

National Criminal Record Check

8 weeks before commencing work placement you will be required to undertake a Criminal Record Check (CRC) to obtain a National Police Certificate.

Commission for Children and Young People (CCYP) Student Declaration

Learners may be required to sign a CCYP Student Declaration as they are working with children under the age of 18 years.

Please note that the above costs are the responsibility of the learners and not included in course fees.

Uniform: 4Life College provides students on work placement with two polo shirts.

While on work placement students are required to wear navy or black slacks/trousers/skirt and enclosed flat soled shoes. These costs are the responsibility of the student.
GETTING HERE IS EASY

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4Life College is located at Level 2, 269 Sussex Street, Sydney, with many nearby transport options including buses and trains. In the heart of the CBD you are close to Sydney Harbour, restaurants, cafes and shops galore.