



Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care

National Course Code: CHC30121

CRICOS Course Code: 116563A

Duration: 52 weeks

Course Description

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Early childhood educators work in long day care centres, family day care, pre-schools or kindergartens.

To achieve this qualification, the individual must have completed a total of least 160 hours of work in a regulated children's education and care service in Australia as detailed in the Assessment Requirements of units of competency. The total number of hours may be applied collectively across all units of competency that include the requirement for workplace hours.

Entry Requirements

International students require a minimum English level of IELTS 6.0 (with no individual band less than 5.5) If the level of English is insufficient, a suitable course can be organised.

Vocational Outcomes

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- Early Childhood Educator
- Assistant room leader
- Playgroup Supervisor
- Outside of School Care Assistant
- Family Day Care Educator

Target Group

The target group for CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care is people who have an interest in the Early Childhood Education Sector and in particular in having the desire to develop employment skills within the Childcare industry.

Delivery Modes

CIBT uses a blended learning methodology combining classroom-based learning with computer-mediated activities as studies show blended learning improves student's interaction and satisfaction as well as increase learning outcomes. Delivery involves 20 hours per week total tuition with 16 hours/week of classroom-based delivery on campus and for 4 hours/week students would be taking part in computer-mediated activities via online Learning Management System (MOODLE). During the course, students will engage in 162 hours of work placement in a licensed early childhood setting.

Course Completion

Students obtaining a 'Competent' result for all the units in this qualification will achieve Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care. A statement of attainment will be issued only for the units in which a student has been found 'Competent'.

Protection of Fee Paid in Advance

Tuition fee paid in advance by student is protected under commonwealth's Tuition Protection Service (TPS). TPS is a placement and refund service for international students. The TPS is like an insurance cover for fees paid in advance. It is a single mechanism to place students when a provider fails to meet obligations or as a last resort to provide refunds of unexpended prepaid tuition fees.

Assessment

Each unit will be assessed in at least 2 different ways unless otherwise required by the unit of competency. The assessment will be conducted through take home research, assignments, projects, case studies, demonstrations and presentation and workplace skills assessments.

Articulation and Pathway

Under mutual recognition the Certificate in Early Childhood Education and Care qualification and statement of Attainment awarded by CIBT will be recognized by other RTOs Australia wide. Upon successful completion of the Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care, students may be eligible for exemption in relevant undergraduate courses.

RPL and Exemptions

RPL and credit transfer can be applied for at the time of enrolment or during the orientation. Students may be eligible to obtain credits for individual units as a result of experience gained in the relevant field or from previous training and education. A Fee is payable for assessing your RPL status. The information is available online in the student handbook or can be requested from student support.

Course Structure

The 17 units of competency (15 Core and 2 Electives) are delivered throughout the 52 Weeks (36 weeks tuition and 16 weeks holiday). All units of competency must be completed to receive a Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care qualification.

CORE COURSES

Unit Code	Unit Title
CHCECE031	Support Children's health, Safety and Wellbeing
CHCECE055	Meet Legal and Ethical Obligations in Children's Education and Care
CHCPR001	Identify & Respond to children and young people at risk
HLTAID012	Provide First Aid in an education & care setting
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety
CHCECE032	Nurture babies & toddlers
CHCECE034	Use an approved learning framework to guide practice
CHCECE056	Work effectively in children's education and care
CHCECE038	Observe children to inform practice
CHCECE033	Develop positive and respectful relationships with children
CHCECE030	Support inclusion and diversity
CHCECE036	Provide experiences to support children's play and learning
CHCECE035	Support the holistic learning and development of children
CHCECE037	Support children to connect with the natural environment
CHCECE054	Encourage understanding of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander People

ELECTIVES

Unit Code	Unit Title
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
HLTFSE001	Follow basic food safety practices