



## EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE EARLY YEARS EDUCATOR - T-LEVEL (EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE) - LEVEL 3

**START DATE:** 2 September 2024

**LENGTH:** 2 years

**STUDY:** Full-Time

**LOCATION:** West Lancashire College

**QUALIFICATION GAINED:** NCFE Level 3 T-Level  
in Education and Childcare - Early Years  
Educator

### More about the course

Are you looking to start a career in the childcare industry and want to expand your knowledge and skills? Would you like to work with children and young people? Then this Early Years Educator T-Level could be the course for you.

During your studies you will build your experience in the childcare and early years sector, developing specialist knowledge and skills as you go. You will learn theory and best practice from industry-experienced tutors in our specialist on-campus childcare facilities which simulate conditions within a working nursery.

You will study a range of vital topics, including behaviour, child development and special educational needs and disabilities.

You will complete the course with the knowledge and practical skills you need to build an exciting career in education and childcare.

As part of the Early Years Educator T-Level you will spend a minimum of 750 hours on an employer industry placement in a childcare setting, helping you to develop your specialist skills and experience.

### Entry Requirements

- You will ordinarily require a minimum of 5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above, including English, maths and science.
- You may also be required to participate in an assessment to ensure suitability ahead of enrolment.



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### **What will I achieve?**

On successful completion of this course you will achieve a NCFE Level 3 T-Level in Education and Childcare (Early Years Educator).

### **What will I learn?**

You will study the following core modules:

- Wider context
- Supporting education
- Safeguarding, health and safety and wellbeing
- Behaviour
- Parents, families and carers
- Working with others
- Child development
- Observation and assessment
- Reflective practice
- Equality and diversity
- Special educational needs and disability
- English as an additional language.

You will also complete an occupational specialism component (Early Years Educator).

**Alongside your studies you will undertake a substantial work experience placement of at least 750 hours.**

### **How is the course taught?**

- Group work
- Theory sessions
- Work placement
- Employer-set project (ESP).

### **How am I assessed?**

- Written examinations
- Practical activities assessments
- Case study assessment
- Professional discussion
- Employer-set project (ESP).

### **Work Experience opportunities**

Work experience is an important part of your T-Level. You will undertake a substantial industry placement with an employer for a minimum of 750 hours during your course to help you prepare for your next steps. You will also undertake an employer-set project as part of the course.

### **English and maths**

English, maths and digital skills are vital to all roles in education and childcare and these are embedded throughout the course to help you prepare for working in the industry.

### **Where can I progress?**

On successful completion of this course, you may progress into industry on an apprenticeship or into a variety of entry-level roles within the education and childcare sector.

Students with a Level 3 T-Level in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator) have access to a wide range of career opportunities including a Foundation Degree or higher-level study to become a primary teacher or teaching assistant, among many other roles in the sector.

