

Early Years Educator CACHE Diploma



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This course is designed to meet the needs of motivated, enthusiastic people interested in a career working with children or who wish to progress on to university.

This nationally recognised Level 3 course leads to the achievement of Early Years Educator status, recommended by the Department for Education (DfE) as the full and relevant qualification required to undertake such roles as working with children under 5 as a Keyworker in a Nursery or Early Years Foundation Stage setting or as a Teaching Assistant in a Reception class in Primary schools.

It is a 'gateway' qualification for many other careers within the Children's Workforce such as Portage Worker, Family Support Worker, SENCO or Children's Health Support worker. Those who wish to continue into Higher Education will gain UCAS points which will enable them to progress into careers such as Early Years or Primary Teacher, Social Worker, Speech & Language Therapist or Play Therapist among others.

We have past students who are now in management and leadership roles working in a range of employment positions and provisions including Nursery, Pre School and Primary School settings throughout Devon and Cornwall. We aim to set high standards in our teaching in order to ensure that our students when they qualify are striving for outstanding practice in their work settings. We have trained whole staff teams at levels 2, 3, 4 and 5 in settings which, as a result of their excellent practice have been graded by Ofsted as Outstanding.



Scan the QR Code for full course description, assessment and progression options from this course

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To have achieved GCSE grade C in English and maths before you start the course, but you could study these alongside the Level 3.

Throughout the course you will need to be either employed or be volunteering in an early years setting for at least two half days or one full day each week.



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LOCATION & NEXT START DATE(S)

Cornwall College St Austell - 9 September 2025
Cornwall College Camborne - 10 September 2025



LEVEL
Level 3

DURATION
2 years

ATTENDANCE
Part-time

FEES
Tuition Fees: £2882.00
FREE for school leavers*

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