

We have high expectations for all of our students and provide a stimulating learning environment that blends practical skills with theory.

We will help you achieve the best grades and will work closely with you to ensure you fulfil your potential. You will have the opportunity to attend different placements in order to build your practical skills and apply the lesson based theory. All of our recent Year 2 leavers have left Longley Park either with a place at university or with the offer of paid employment from their placement providers. A positive outcome for all.

Careers and Destinations

- Higher Education and further study
- Early Years Educators
- Practitioner in day nurseries and nursery schools
- Practitioner in reception classes in primary schools
- Pre-school worker and Nanny
- Teaching Assistant



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CACHE LEVEL 3 - 2 YEARS

Entry Requirements: 4 GCSEs at grade 4-9 (A*-C) including English + Maths

EQUIVALENT TO 3 A LEVELS

What will I study?

Completing this qualification will show that you have been trained to the highest of standards, equipping you with the best early years training available. This qualification is now the must-have qualification and leads to a licence to practise and the status of being an Early Years Educator. It will enable you to work with children from birth to 5 years and gain knowledge of children aged 5 to 7 years. You will also have the opportunity to gain additional qualifications such as Paediatric First Aid. This is a work-related course so work placements are a key part of your study. You will take part in placements working with children of different ages in a variety of settings for two days per week as well as longer block placements during the year.

How will I be assessed?

Assignments, portfolio tasks, case studies, external controlled assessments, reflective diaries and observations.

What can I do next?

Upon achievement of this qualification learners will be able to enter the workforce as Early Years Educators or access Higher Education. Job roles in the statutory, voluntary or private sectors include, early years practitioner in day nurseries, nursery schools, and in primary schools, pre-school worker, community nursery nurses and nanny.



"We've enjoyed lots of things about the course such as the placement experience and class work which can be challenging but there's lots of support from the teachers and our classmates."

Grace - High Storrs School

APPLIED GENERAL CERTIFICATE IN EARLY YEARS, CHILDCARE & EDUCATION

LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE - 2 YEARS

Entry Requirements: 4 GCSEs at grade 4-9 (A*-C) preferably including English + Maths

EQUIVALENT TO 1 A LEVEL

What will I study?

You will gain an in-depth understanding of the knowledge and skills required when working with children and young people in Early Years and Education.

Applied General Certificate Early Year Childcare and Education

You will cover units and develop knowledge and understanding of child development, education and care including an understanding of childcare services, educational frameworks and roles and responsibilities within childcare settings.

You can study Applied General Certificate Early Years Childcare and Education alongside two other single A Levels or BTEC equivalents



How will I be assessed?

Observation, portfolio, written assignments and tasks.

What can I do next?

The Applied General Certificate in Early Years Childcare and Education is equivalent to 1 A level and would ideally be studied alongside other Level 3 qualifications leading to Higher Education or employment.

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WORKING IN EARLY YEARS & PRIMARY SCHOOL SETTINGS

CACHE LEVEL 2 - 1 YEAR

Entry Requirements:
At least 2 Grade 3's (D) at GCSE

What will I study?

This qualification has been designed to support learners as they develop their knowledge, understanding and skills when caring for and supporting the learning and development of children aged 0 to 11 years 11 months. You will learn about children at different stages in their growth and development, how to care for and educate them and how to work with parents, carers and other professionals. This includes communication, positive behaviour, safeguarding and welfare, health and safety and creating positive environments for children and young people. This is a work-related course so work placements are a key part of your study. You will take part in placements working with children of different ages in a variety of settings.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment will be through assignments, external short answer examination and you will also be assessed on your work placement.

What can I do next?

The Certificate trains you to work in a job as an assistant in settings such as nursery assistant, crèche worker, childminder assistant. Students from this course have also gone on to study the CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education / Early Years Educator, Supporting Teaching and Learning, Children and Young people's Workforce and Health and Social Care.



"This course is challenging but very enjoyable. I have developed more awareness around the subject."

Sara - King Egbert School

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