

Diploma of Children's Services

CHC50302

Course duration

This course is delivered in 96 weeks, combining on-campus and off-campus study.

Course times

Course days and times vary but you can expect to be at Wodonga TAFE for up to seven hours per day between 9am and 9pm on those days that on-campus training is delivered. When you are on placement, the hours undertaken are reflective of industry need and will vary accordingly.

Outcomes

An Australian nationally recognised qualification and a statement of attainment.

Estimated total course cost

The course fee is payable in two instalments, these being: AU\$8,500 for your first year, AU\$8,500 for your second year.

Your career in children's services

This course enables you, as a graduate, to work as a qualified child care worker in a range of children's services settings, including long day care, occasional care, preschool (kindergarten), neighbourhood houses, and family day care. By obtaining this qualification, you may have the opportunity to further your career as a qualified team leader or ultimately a childcare centre director.

Course description

You can gain the necessary knowledge and skills to develop, implement and evaluate programs for children in a sensitive, caring and ethical way; to supervise other staff and volunteers and, when experienced, to work as a director or service manager

The course covers:

- health and well-being

- play and learning
- OH&S and first aid
- developmental studies
- professional practice
- observation and planning
- diversity planning and community partnerships.

Special entry requirements

- IELTS requirement: an academic score of 5.5 is required for this course
- You will need to participate in an interview to determine your aptitude for working with children. This interview can be conducted either by telephone or by an agent in your home country. At this point additional information will be provided to potential students regarding specific course requirements and things they need to be aware of.
- You need to be prepared to undertake 600 hours of work placement as part of this course.
- You will need to obtain a Victorian Working With Children Card, which can be done at an Australia Post Office once you are in Australia.

On campus learning

On-campus learning includes presentations by selected industry experts who will share knowledge and experiences. Presentations will be supported by relevant reading material, which may be used practically in the workplace.

You will also undertake a work-based practicum off campus through a local children's services business. Work placements are arranged for you by Wodonga TAFE.



Assessment process

A range of assessment strategies to meet different learner needs will be selected. Assessment strategies may include group-based, work-based, project-based, self-paced, or action learning. Aspects of the course may be completed face-to-face or by distance, and may involve practice and experience in the workplace.

Outcomes

On successful completion of this course, you will be awarded a Diploma of Children's Services, which is an Australian Qualifications Framework qualification. This nationally recognised qualification is accompanied by a statement of attainment.

Pathways to further study

Credit is available towards the Advanced Diploma of Children's Services. You can also apply for higher education studies at Charles Sturt University, Deakin University and other selected universities.

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