

COURSE CODE

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Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

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WHY CHOOSE TAFE NSW?



Opens career doors. Our industry relationships lead many students directly into work with a range of employers including agencies, studios, galleries and fashion houses.



Global prospects. TAFE NSW graduates possess the technical knowledge, creative-thinking and specialised skills that are highly sought after by employers around the world.



State-of-the-art facilities. Purpose-built creative studios and industry standard software mean you will master the same tools of the trade as leading professionals.



Industry exposure. TAFE NSW partners with industry to provide you with hands-on experience through networking, sponsor programs, competitions, talks, lectures and other creative industry events.



Recognised and respected. TAFE NSW has built its reputation on delivering trusted, industry aligned and nationally recognised training for over 130 years.

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National Course Code: CHC30113 | TAFE NSW Code: CHC30113-01V03-20GLI-051

Qualification Level	Certificate III
Study Type	Part Time Day
Course Start Date	Enquire Now
Hours Per Week	17.5
Duration	36 Weeks
Delivery Locations	Glen Innes Connected Learning Centre
Course Fees	<p>Subsidised Prices First Qualification: \$1,600.00 If you are 35 years old or over and are looking for work you may be eligible for the mature age workers Fee-Free scholarship which will be verified at enrolment. Subsequent Qualification: \$1,930.00 Traineeship: \$1,000.00 You may be eligible for the NSW Smart & Skilled Fee-Free Traineeship which will be verified at enrolment. Concession: \$240.00</p> <p>Non-subsidised Prices Full Fee: \$7,420.00</p>
Course Features	Nationally Recognised Training Traineeship Allowed This training is subsidised by the NSW Government

Course Description

Take your first step into the world of early childhood as a childcare support worker with the nationally accredited Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care. You will learn to provide safe, nurturing, meaningful and inclusive education and care for children in a fun and playful setting.

LEARN NEW SKILLS

Through theory and practical course work, you will learn to:

- Care for babies and children and ensure their health and safety
- Promote good nutrition and positive meal experiences
- Use an approved learning framework
- Support holistic development through play and learning
- Identify and respond to children at risk
- Perform emergency first aid
- Promote cultural competence

DEVELOP YOUR TALENT

Through this course you will build on your:

- Outstanding professionalism
- Passion for early education
- Communication and interpersonal skills

ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS

Completing the Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care will equip you with:

- A nationally recognised qualification that meets the legal requirement to work as an Early Childhood Educator
- A First Aid certificate
- A study pathway to advance your career

GROW YOUR CAREER

Deepen your skills and knowledge to expand your career options with a:

- Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care
- Certificate IV and Diploma of School Age Care
- Certificate III or IV in Education Support

Complete the Diploma to move directly into university to become an early childhood teacher:

- Bachelor of Education Early Childhood - at TAFE NSW

INDUSTRY DEMAND

The number of children using long day care has increased by 18% since 2012, and this trend will continue to 2021.

As consumer demand grows, so does the demand for teachers qualified at degree level. This Certificate III qualification is a great first step toward a long and rewarding career in the industry.

Entry Requirements

When you study with TAFE NSW, we want you to succeed. Entry requirements allow us to make sure that you have the right pre-existing knowledge and skills to achieve your chosen qualification. You will need to provide evidence that you meet the requirements listed in this section.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

TAFE NSW offers the Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care as either a traineeship or non-traineeship, so you can create the career you want.

** Non-traineeship **

There are no entry requirements for non-trainees. You can enrol in this course now.

** Traineeship **

To be eligible for this course you must:

- Be employed in the childcare sector as this course is delivered in the workplace
- Have a signed traineeship contract

Thinking about a traineeship? Enquire today.

COURSE SUCCESS REQUIREMENTS

During your study, you will need to meet specific requirements that are necessary for you to complete your course work and be successful.

You will need to meet the following success requirements to be able to undertake work placement within industry. Your teacher will let you know when you need to provide evidence of:

- Working with Children Check (WWCC)
- Vaccination and health screenings
- Any additional evidence your work placement provider requires

LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

Under the Education and Care Services National Law (2011), the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) publishes lists of approved early childhood education and care qualifications and information regarding regulatory requirements here: www.acecqa.gov.au.

WORK PLACEMENT

Work placement provides you with opportunities to practise responding to situations and circumstances that cannot be replicated in a learning or simulated environment. Work placement strengthens your training and supports continued learning and assessment in the workplace.

During your course, you will undertake a mandatory 120 hours of work placement with a suitable industry employer.

TAFE Digital students: You are responsible for arranging your own work placement. Our SkillsTeam can offer support and guidance to assist you.

Campus-based students: TAFE NSW will arrange your work placement with a suitable industry employer.

Decisions on where you will be placed are guided through a nomination process of your preferred centre and your personal circumstances.

Work placement generally only begins once you have had significant contact with your teacher and they are satisfied that you are ready to benefit from on-the-job industry learning.

IS THIS COURSE RIGHT FOR YOU?

To be prepared for this course, it is recommended that you have:

- A sound ability to read, write and speak English
- A basic ability to apply numeracy
- A strong sense of professionalism
- A strong work ethic
- Patience and dedication
- A passion for early childhood education

**** Physical ability ****

You must also have a reasonable level of fitness and flexibility to carry out:

- Manual lifting
- First aid responses including performing CPR while kneeling on the floor

Certain aspects of assessment rely on your physical ability to perform two minutes of uninterrupted CPR on an adult and infant manikin at floor level, and respond to an emergency situation where there may be risk to life.

If you are unable to meet the physical requirements, you will not be able to successfully complete this course.

If you need help preparing for study, contact us about your options.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

With 130 locations across the state, TAFE NSW tailors qualifications to meet the needs of the local community and specific student groups (like apprentices, fast-tracked and online students). To make sure this course is the right fit for you, we will need you to demonstrate that you can meet the additional requirements below.

To be enrolled in this course, you need to:

- complete a 'Working with Children Check'. Anyone engaging in child-related work (including student placements and volunteers) MUST have a current Working with Children Check (students/volunteers free).
- be physically fit to undertake tasks associated with the work placement (such as manual lifting)
- be physically fit to undertake first aid responses including performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) while kneeling on the floor.
- follow TAFE NSW policy and procedures, adhering to NSW law when enrolling students under the age of 17- <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/study/pathways/school-to-tafe>. Students under 18 years of age will require signed consent from their parents or guardians for certain course written agreements.
- complete appropriate First Aid training. This can be a part of your training.
- possess a sound ability to read, write and speak English
- possess a basic ability to apply numeracy

Prior to the commencement of the course your literacy and numeracy skills will be assessed and support arranged where required.

To successfully complete this course, you will need to:

- attend TAFE on your designated course days.
- actively participate in all course instruction and activities.
- attend the designated group play sessions.
- submit all assessments by the due dates and be assessed as competent.
- undertake and complete 120 hrs of work placement.

Students are required to undertake a minimum of 120 hours of work placement in an Australian regulated education and care service as part of the training package requirements for this qualification. Students will be provided with access to a suitable Australian regulated education and care service for work placement. This is arranged by TAFE NSW teachers or workplace managers and assessed for suitability.

Information Sessions and more about the course

INFORMATION SESSIONS

There are no information sessions currently scheduled for this course

STUDY COMMITMENT

This is a blended part time course. You will need to attend approximately 6.4 hours of class, over 2 days

a week, for 1 year. As well as the in-class component, you will need to complete approximately 11.1 hours of other study per week.

You may also be required to complete approximately 4.2 hours of additional study each week outside of class hours, including reviewing classwork, reading, study notes and personal thoughts/reflections.

Studying at a TAFE NSW Connected Learning Centre means that you don't have to leave your local community to get a first rate education and access elite training, teachers and support services.

Connected Learning Centres are custom designed to utilise modern technologies, simulations and virtual reality experiences to offer you a wider range of choices, more accessible, practical training and flexible learning opportunities. Students can access work booths, group learning rooms, a computer hub, print shop, tech-bar, media lounge, and learning support centre and a creative space to work on ideas for the future.

Our Connected Learning Centres will equip you with the skills you need for the jobs you want - in regional NSW, or anywhere in the world. If you would like to explore your local [Connected Learning Centre](#)

IS THIS COURSE RIGHT FOR YOU?

This qualification reflects the role of workers in a range of early childhood education settings who work within the requirements of the Education and Care Services National Regulations and the National Quality Standard. They support the implementation of an approved learning framework, and support children's wellbeing, learning and development. Depending on the setting, educators may work under direct supervision or autonomously.

To achieve this qualification, the candidate must have completed at least 120 hours of work as detailed in the Assessment Requirements of the units of competency.

SERVICES AND STUDY SUPPORT

TAFE NSW provides the following services to ensure a supported and successful learning environment for all students:

-Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Student Support and Services

- Accessibility and Disability Services
- Personal Counselling
- Vocational Counselling
- Learning Support
- International Student Support
- Scholarships
- Multicultural Support

We offer student services and study support to ensure you can achieve your goals. Learn about TAFE NSW [Student Services](#)

As a TAFE NSW student in this course, you will have access to:

- LinkedIn Learning (formerly Lynda.com)
- Smarthinking - after hours online study support service
- Easy computing online short courses
- Access to local TAFE libraries
- Accessibility and Disability Support Services
- Access to Read&Write learning support software at TAFE and at home

Attendance

To keep you safe while studying, some of our face to face classes may be replaced with online or connected learning. We have also modified our face to face classes to meet physical distancing requirements and increased cleaning on campus. As restrictions ease, the way you attend your class may change again. If work placement and the demonstration of practical skills are requirements of your course, due to the impacts of COVID 19 there may be a delay or modification in being able to undertake these aspects of your course in the planned timeframe. Be assured, we'll keep you informed every step of the way.

This course is currently scheduled at TAFE NSW Glen Innes, Connected Learning Centre on Wednesday and Thursday from 9.00am to 12.00pm. This timetable may change and will be confirmed by your teacher.

Fee Details

SMART AND SKILLED FEES

This course is government-subsidised, meaning you pay a portion of the full course fee to TAFE NSW and the NSW Government will pay the balance. However, you must meet certain eligibility criteria for this to apply.

Depending on your previous qualifications and experience, your fee may be less than the maximum fee quoted. Your actual fee and eligibility for concession/exemption will be calculated and confirmed during the enrolment process. Payment plans are available through TAFE NSW for Smart and Skilled eligible qualifications.

For further information about eligibility and explanations of the different fee categories, visit [Are You Eligible?](#)

READ BEFORE YOU ENROL

Learn about TAFE NSW [Fees](#)

Learn about TAFE NSW [Payment/Funding](#)

RECOGNITION

Recognition is a process of acknowledging previously completed qualifications, skills, knowledge or experience relevant to your course. This may reduce the amount of learning required, reduce your course fees and allow you to achieve your qualification faster.

Learn about Recognition at TAFE NSW [Recognition](#)

How to Enrol

Enrolments for this course have now closed.

[Enquire now](#) and we will contact you when enrolments open. Visit our [Online Courses](#) to view our range of study options that you can start anytime.

Units

CHCDIV002	Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety
CHCECE001	Develop cultural competence
CHCECE002	Ensure the health and safety of children
CHCECE003	Provide care for children
CHCECE004	Promote and provide healthy food and drinks
CHCECE005	Provide care for babies and toddlers
CHCECE007	Develop positive and respectful relationships with children
CHCECE009	Use an approved learning framework to guide practice
CHCECE010	Support the holistic development of children in early childhood
CHCECE011	Provide experiences to support children's play and learning
CHCECE013	Use information about children to inform practice
CHCLEG001	Work legally and ethically
CHCPRT001	Identify and respond to children and young people at risk
HLTAID004	Provide an emergency first aid response in an education and care setting
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety
BSBWOR301	Organise personal work priorities and development
CHCECE006	Support behaviour of children and young people
CHCECE026	Work in partnership with families to provide appropriate education and care for children

Career Opportunities

Early childhood educator