Childcare: Level 3 Certificate in Playwork - ONLINE

Course overview



This qualification provides information about the role of the Level 3 playworker when working with children and young people between the ages of 4 to 16. It provides an understanding of the management of play environments and the line management of other staff.

The Certificate is mainly knowledge based with a limited amount of practical application and is aimed at experienced playworkers who have a wide knowledge and understanding of children and young people and a deep appreciation of playwork principles and practice.

You will need access to a placement, in order to demonstrate competency in the skills element of the qualification.

Job roles which successful learners could apply for are: playwork Development Officer, Adventure Centre Supervisor, Hospital Playworker, Manager of any playwork Provisions.

This course is eligible for the Advance Learn Loan, please speak with a member of the Student Services Team for more information.

What will I study?

You will cover the following topics.

- Understand Playwork Principles
- Understand Children and Young Peoples self-directed play
- Understand how to safeguard the well-being of children and young people.
- Understand the organisational framework for play.
- Understand how to support positive outcomes for children and young people.
- Understand relationships in the play environment.
- Understand health, safety and security in the play environment.
- Understand how to plan for and support children and young people's self-directed play.
- Engage in personal development in health, social care or children and young people's settings.

Assessment method

This qualification is internally assessed and externally quality assured

You will produce an internally assessed online portfolio of evidence, which will be assessed by your tutor/assessor and externally quality assured by the awarding body. You will receive ongoing assessment throughout the course and provided with feedback both written and verbal from your tutor/assessor.

Entry requirements

As this is a progression course you must have attained a full level 3 early years/childcare qualification and ideally be working within a childcare setting.

What should I bring with me?

This is an online delivery course; you must have access to a computer and Wifi. If you do not have access to these, please speak to a member of the enrolment team, who will be able to help support you.

Key information

This course is an online course

You may attend tutorials, which may take place on site with social distancing measures in place. In the event of a lockdown, the course will take place online via MS Teams.

Possible next steps

Which type of job roles can you apply for on completion?

playwork Development Officer, Adventure Centre Supervisor, Hospital Playworker, Manager of any playwork Provisions.

Contact us

Our friendly staff can give you further advice and support.



