



OCR Level 1/2 Cambridge National Certificate in Child Development

Why is the study of Child Development important?

Do you want to boost your knowledge in child care? Maybe you want a career looking after children and helping their development? Then our child development course would be perfect for you!

Child development will allow you to gain an insight into how you can support the development and learning of a child, including playing and exploring. You will also be able to explore how children understand the world and know the impact this has on their learning.

This qualification is for students who wish to develop applied knowledge and practical skills in child development. It is designed with both practical and theoretical elements, which will prepare students for further qualifications in Child Care, Health and Social Care, Psychology, Sociology and Biology. We follow the OCR Level 1/2 Cambridge National Certificate in Child Development.

What skills will the study of Child Development teach you?

- Problem solving
- Decision making
- Using a range of resources
- Cultural understanding
- Health & safety awareness

What will you know and understand from your study of Child Development?

Throughout the course you will complete three mandatory units:

R018: Health and well-being for child development

In preparation for the exam you will cover 5 units building up your knowledge and understanding of the roles and responsibilities of parenthood, from preconception health through antenatal to postnatal care. You will discuss childhood illnesses and how to care for a sick child as well as looking at Childhood safety how do you keep a child safe in your care from garden safety through to social safety. You will develop an appreciation of the importance of creating the best conditions for a child to thrive.

R019: Understand the equipment and nutritional needs of children from birth to five years

You will learn about the range of equipment and nutritional and hygiene requirements of children from birth to five years using the context of a nursery to complete, and they demonstrate in a practical activity how these needs are met to promote a child's development and well-being.

R020: Understand the development of a child from birth to five years

You will investigate the developmental norms of children from birth to five years and develop an understanding of the impact of play on the developmental norms. You will apply and demonstrate your knowledge and understanding through practical activities.

How can you deepen your understanding of Child Development?

To deepen your understanding of Child Development we offer enrichment opportunities at least once per week where you can attend to improve the quality of your work, find out further information on the topics being covered in lessons. Throughout the year we will have visiting speakers from midwives and health visitors. To enhance your coursework I would suggest visiting a local nursery to discover more about how children learn through play, the menu they offered to provide nutrition to children and the equipment they need to care for children on a daily basis.

Websites that you can visit for further information are;

www.nhs.uk

www.babycentre.co.uk

www.bupa.co.uk/health-information/a-to-z

You can watch programmes such as one born every minute and Supernanny to get a better insight into labour and birth and how to deal with challenging behaviours in children.

How are you assessed in Child Development?

There are 6 assessment points each year that we term Praising Stars®. We assess how students at their current stage of study are on track to reach their end of stage targets which are formulated on aspirational expectation from their KS2 starting points. We make an informed prediction from our holistic assessments based on our subject mapping of expectation across the Child Development curriculum. Throughout the two years you will complete two coursework assignments R019 Understanding the equipment and nutritional needs to children from birth to five years. You will complete four learning outcomes using the context of an onsite nursery researching suitable equipment for room 1 and room 2 in the nursery. Investigating the nutritional needs of babies and children aged 0-6 months, 6-12 months and 1-5 years. You will also complete a practical assessment investigating feeding options for babies 0-6months and advise a working mum what her options are when she returns to work following maternity leave. The 2nd coursework assignment R020 Understand the development of a child from birth to five years will also include four learning outcomes you will learn out areas of development, types and benefits of play in the development of a child and you will also plan and carry out play activities with a child in the age range of 6 months to five years to help them develop in one specific area.

Key Assessment Objectives

Distinction at Level 2

Learners will be able to:

- recall, select and apply detailed knowledge and thorough understanding of child development
- present information clearly and accurately, using a wide range of terminology
- apply relevant knowledge, understanding and skills in a range of situations to plan and carry out investigations and tasks effectively, testing their solutions, and working safely
- analyse and evaluate the evidence available, reviewing and adapting their methods where appropriate
- make reasoned judgements and substantiated conclusions
- work confidently and independently to create material which reflects thoughtful planning, skilled development and perceptive evaluation as well as actively demonstrating practical skills at a high level.

Pass at Level 2

Learners will be able to:

- recall, select and apply sound knowledge and understanding of child development
- present information clearly and with some accuracy, using a range of terminology
- apply knowledge, understanding and skills in a range of situations to plan and carry out investigations and tasks, testing their solutions, and working safely
- review evidence available, analysing and evaluating information clearly and making some basic adaptations to their methods
- make judgements and draw appropriate conclusions
- work with independence to create material which reflects effective planning, development and evaluation and an ability to demonstrate sound practical skills.

Pass at Level 1

Learners will be able to:

- recall, select and apply knowledge and understanding of basic aspects of child development
- present basic information, using limited terminology
- apply limited knowledge, understanding and skills to plan and carry out simple investigations and tasks, with an awareness of the need for safety
- review evidence and draw basic conclusions
- show some evidence of independent work to create material which demonstrates a degree of planning, development and evaluation and limited practical skills.

Study of Child Development can lead to a wide range of careers:

- Classroom Assistant
- Deaf Interpreter
- Educational Psychologist
- Education Welfare Officer
- Health Care Assistant
- Health Promotion Officer
- Holiday Rep
- Life Coach
- Nanny / Au Pair
- Nurse
- Nursery Nurse
- Occupational Therapist
- Physiotherapy Assistant
- Primary School Teacher
- Residential Care Assistant
- School Secretary
- Social Worker
- Speech Therapist
- Support Worker
- Swimming Instructor
- Youth Worker
- Play Specialist
- Midwife
- Paediatrician

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Term	Year 1	Year 2
Autumn 1	R018 Unit 5 Child Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety in the home and labelling • Garden safety • Social safety • Internet safety • Accidents and treatments 	R020 Coursework LO1 Physical, Intellectual and Social Development. Internally assessed. R018 Unit 3 Post Natal Care <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newborn postnatal checks • Premature baby • Postnatal provision for mother • Conditions for development
Autumn 2	R018 Unit 1 Reproduction and Responsibilities of Parenthood <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Factors to consider • Preconception health • Contraception • Reproductive system • Conception • Signs of pregnancy • Responsibilities of parenthood 	R020 Coursework LO2 - Learning Through Play. Internally assessed R018 Unit 4 Childhood Illnesses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immunity from disease • Recognise and treat common childhood ailments and diseases • When to seek treatment and help • Diet related illnesses • The needs of an ill child • Preparing a child for a stay in hospital. Revision for January Exam
Spring 1	R018 Unit 2 Antenatal Care <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health professionals • Antenatal Care • Routine checks • Diagnostic testing • Choices available for delivery • Stages of labour and pain relief 	R020 Coursework - LO3 - Internally Assessed Be able to plan different play activities for a chosen developmental area with a child from birth to five years.
Spring 2	R019 Coursework - LO1&2 - Internally Assessed Investigating equipment needs for an onsite nursery. Looking at travel, sleeping, feeding, clothing and footwear suitable for age 0-12 months and 1-5 years.	R020 Coursework - LO4 - Internally Assessed Be able to carry out and evaluate different play activities for a chosen developmental area with a child from birth to five years.
Summer 1	R019 Coursework - LO3 - Internally Assessed Investigating nutritional needs of 0-6 months, 6-12 months and 1-5 years. Learning about functions and sources of nutrients. Government guidelines and healthy eating.	Revision for June R018 Exam
Summer 2	R019 Coursework - LO4 - Internally Assessed Investigate feeding options for babies 0-6 months researching breast, bottle and combination feeding. Bottle making practical.	Creative Curriculum Plan and prepare a themed birthday party for a 5 year old child. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design invites • Create a menu and make buns, pizzas etc. • Create decorations • Plan activities • Costings for party bags etc.

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