

## WELCOME TO EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS AT KIRKLEES COLLEGE

### T LEVEL – EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE: EARLY YEARS EDUCATOR

#### COURSE OVERVIEW

This exciting new T Level qualification has been designed to help young people develop the required knowledge, skills and behaviours needed work in the early years sector.

#### TOPICS COVERED

- Understanding the education and childcare sector from ages 0 to 19
- How to develop relationships with children to facilitate their development
- Safeguarding, health and safety and wellbeing
- How to support children and young people's education
- Understanding and managing behaviour
- Observing and assessing children and young people
- Equality and diversity
- Special educational needs and disability
- Working with parents, carers and wider families
- Reflective practice and other forms of professional development
- Practical experience in supporting and promoting children's play, development and early education

#### ASSESSMENT

T Levels are exam-based. In the first year, students will sit one core knowledge exam paper in June. They will also complete an employer set project, which contains controlled assessments, to build up a portfolio of evidence.

In the second year, students complete an occupational specialism assessment, demonstrating application of the relevant knowledge, skills and behaviours for the occupation.

#### INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

To achieve the T Level qualification, students are required to undertake an industry placement for a minimum of 750 hours, over the two year programme. Students are required to be DBS checked on commencement of the course.

Students will attend placement for a consecutive four days, alternate weeks during the two-year qualification. This four-day placement allows students to build trusting relationships with children and families and to fully embrace the day to day role and responsibilities in a Education and Early Years setting.

Industry placements are a mandatory aspect of the T Level where students are required to work towards achieving set learning goals for their T Level certificate to be awarded.



#### **CLICK HERE**

*to see an example of  
the industry placement  
objective, typical activities,  
and learning goals to be  
achieved by a  
student.*



## SUPPORT

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We have dedicated teams to support both employers and students.

### **WORK PLACEMENT OFFICER:**

Supports employers to match with the right student and help plan the industry placements. They provide ongoing support for the duration of the placement and monitor the students' progress.

### **PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT TUTOR:**

Supports students to prepare for their placement and develop the skills and behaviours needed to successfully complete their placement.

## CAREER PROGRESSION

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After completing a T Level, students can progress to an apprenticeship or university, as a number of major UK universities accept T Levels. T Levels students can also progress to employment in the following roles:

- Teaching Assistant
- Nursery Worker
- Learning Mentor
- Special Educational Needs Teaching Assistant
- Primary Teaching
- Early Years Educator
- Social Worker



## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

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Students can access help for travel and some other costs associated with attending their placement.

Additional support is available to enable learners with specialist educational needs and disabilities to access and successfully complete a quality industry placement.



## CONTACT

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