

CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

Course Overview

The Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care is a nationally recognised qualification designed to equip learners with essential skills for teacher education.

This course is ideal for individuals seeking to develop foundational knowledge and practical abilities to pursue employment or further study in the community services sector.

Accreditation Statement

This is a nationally recognised and accredited Australian qualification delivered by Bankstown Education and Skills Training Centre (RTO 40651). It is developed in line with the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) and recognised across all states and territories. Successful completion will result in a nationally recognised Certificate or Statement of Attainment.

What You Will Learn / Key Skills

Effective communication and teamwork
Problem-solving in workplace contexts
Planning, organising and prioritising tasks
Using digital and business technology
Understanding industry-specific procedures

Entry Requirements / Prerequisites

There are **no formal prerequisites** to enrol in this course. However, to ensure you can successfully participate, we recommend the following:

You should:

- Be at least **16 years old** (some providers may require 18+ for work placement)
- Have basic **English, reading, writing and numeracy skills** (around ACSF Level 3)
- Be **physically fit and emotionally ready** to work with young children
- Be able to commit to a **minimum of 160 hours** of work placement in a regulated early childhood service
- Be eligible to obtain a **Working with Children Check (WWCC)** or your state's equivalent

To study online, you'll also need:

- A computer or tablet with **internet access**
- Basic **digital skills** (e.g. using email, Word, Zoom)
- A safe and quiet space to study
- The ability to **work independently**, with support from your trainer when needed

Course Modules / Units of Competency

Please refer to your enrolment documents or course page for the complete list of core and elective units included in this qualification.

Core Units (15)

CHCECE030 – Support inclusion and diversity

CHCECE031 – Support children's health, safety and wellbeing

CHCECE032 – Nurture babies and toddlers

CHCECE033 – Develop positive and respectful relationships with children

CHCECE034 – Use an approved learning framework to guide practice

CHCECE035 – Support the holistic learning and development of children

CHCECE036 – Provide experiences to support children's play and learning

CHCECE037 – Support children to connect with the natural environment

CHCECE038 – Observe children to inform practice

CHCECE054 – Encourage understanding of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples' cultures

CHCECE055 – Meet legal and ethical obligations in children's education and care

CHCECE056 – Work effectively in children's education and care

CHCPRT001 – Identify and respond to children and young people at risk

HLTAID012 – Provide First Aid in an education and care setting

HLTWHS001 – Participate in workplace health and safety

Elective Units (2)

HLTFSE001 – Follow basic food safety practices (*as requested*)

CHCDIV001 – Work with diverse people

Delivery Mode

Flexible delivery – study online at your own pace with support from experienced trainers via Moodle and Zoom.

Course Duration

Estimated 12-18 months. Self-paced with trainer guidance available throughout.

Assessment Method

Knowledge quizzes, practical tasks, projects, case studies, and third-party observation (where applicable).

Certification Outcome

Qualification (Certificate III) – awarded upon successful completion of all requirements.

Course Fees

From \$1,500 full course or \$165 per unit.

Pathways After This Course

Career Pathways

- Early Childhood Educator
- Preschool Assistant
- Family Day Care Educator
- Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) Assistant
- Nanny / In-home Childcare Provider
- Playgroup Supervisor
- Kindergarten Assistant

These roles typically involve working under the guidance of a diploma-qualified educator or centre director.

Study Pathways

- **CHC50121 Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care**
(Required for those wanting to work as a Lead Educator, Educational Leader, or Centre Director)
- **CHC50221 Diploma of School Age Education and Care**
- **Bachelor of Early Childhood Education** (with possible credit transfer after completing the diploma)

Work Placement Requirement

To complete the **CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care**, you must complete a **minimum of 160 hours** of practical work placement in a **regulated early childhood service**.

This hands-on experience is essential to:

- Apply what you've learned in real childcare settings
- Build confidence in supporting children's health, development, and learning
- Meet the assessment requirements for key units in the course

What You Need to Know:

- Placement must be **supervised** and completed in an approved childcare service
- Hours can be spread out to suit your availability and the service's needs
- You'll be supported by your trainer before, during, and after your placement
- You must hold (or apply for) a valid **Working with Children Check**

We can help you find a placement if you don't already have one. Let us know if you need support!



Why Study With Us

With over 25 years of training experience, Bankstown Education and Skills Training Centre (RTO 40651) offers flexible, engaging learning tailored to individual needs. Access quality resources, industry-relevant skills, and supportive trainers.

Group Bookings & Onsite Facilitation

We offer flexible group bookings for organisations, schools, and community centres. Training can be facilitated directly at your location, making it easy and convenient for your team or participants to complete the course without needing to travel. Minimum numbers apply – contact us to discuss your needs and arrange a session that suits your schedule.

Facilities and Support

At BEST Training, we're here to support you every step of the way. Whether you're learning online or on campus, you'll have access to caring trainers, helpful course guidance, and personal support when you need it. We're committed to helping you stay confident, connected, and on track throughout your learning journey.

Diversity and Inclusion Statement

At Bankstown Education and Skills Training Centre (RTO 40651), we are committed to fostering a learning environment that celebrates diversity and promotes inclusion for all. We recognise that each student brings unique experiences, perspectives, and strengths, and we welcome all forms of diversity.

Our approach is inclusive of:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- People with disability and mental health conditions
- Gender equality and gender diversity
- LGBTQIA+ communities
- Culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds
- Neurodiverse individuals
- People of all ages, cultures, and religions

We believe that inclusive education empowers students, enriches learning, and supports equitable outcomes. Our team actively works to remove barriers, promote cultural safety, and create a respectful, supportive space where every learner can thrive.

If you need individual support or would like to learn more about our inclusive practices, please contact us at info@bankstowneducation.com.au or phone **02 9791 0015**.



How to Enrol

Call (02) 9791 0015 or email info@bankstowneducation.com.au. Visit www.bankstowneducation.com.au to enrol online or request a demo login.

RTO Details / Compliance Info

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