

Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care (CHC50121)

Course Overview

The Diploma of 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

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 (12)

- 1. **BSBTWK502** Manage team effectiveness
- 2. **CHCECE041** Maintain a safe and healthy environment for children
- 3. CHCECE042 Foster holistic early childhood learning, development and wellbeing
- 4. **CHCECE043** Nurture creativity in children



- 5. CHCECE044 Facilitate compliance in a children's education and care service
- 6. CHCECE045 Foster positive and respectful interactions and behaviour in children
- 7. **CHCECE046** Implement strategies for the inclusion of all children
- 8. CHCECE047 Analyse information to inform children's learning
- 9. CHCECE048 Plan and implement children's education and care curriculum
- 10. CHCECE049 Embed environmental responsibility in service operations
- 11. CHCECE050 Work in partnership with children's families
- 12. CHCPRP003 Reflect on and improve own professional practice

Elective Units (3 from the approved list)

- 13. **CHCECE051** Promote equity in access to the service
- 14. CHCECE057 Use collaborative practices to uphold child protection principles
- 15. CHCECE053 Respond to grievances and complaints about the service

Entry Requirements / Prerequisites

Entry Requirements

To enrol in CHC50121, you **must have completed** one of the following:

- CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care
 OR
- CHC30113 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care (superseded qualification)

Additional Recommendations

While not mandatory, it is also **recommended** that learners:



- Are 18 years or older
- Have sound English skills (minimum ACSF Level 3 or equivalent)
- Can commit to completing **a minimum of 280 hours** of work placement in a regulated early childhood service
- Have basic **digital literacy** (email, word processing, learning platforms) if studying online
- Hold or can obtain a valid Working With Children Check (WWCC)
- Meet health and immunisation requirements as required by the workplace

Work Placement Requirements

- Minimum Hours: 280 hours of supervised practical experience.
- Setting: A regulated early childhood education and care service.
- **Supervision**: Under the guidance of a qualified supervisor holding a Diploma or higher in Early Childhood Education and Care.
- **Distribution**: These hours can be completed as part of paid employment or as an unpaid practicum, depending on individual circumstances and provider arrangements. <u>academyowl.edu.auMETS Training Services</u>

Age Group Experience

While the national standard mandates a total of 280 hours, some training providers may specify experience across different age groups. For instance, students might be required to complete:

- 40 hours with children aged 0–2 years
- 40 hours with children aged 2-3 years
- 40 hours with children aged 3–5 years

The remaining **160 hours** can typically be completed in the student's preferred age group within the regulated service.

Additional Requirements

Before commencing work placement, students may need to:

- Obtain a **Working With Children Check (WWCC)** or the equivalent for their state or territory.
- Provide evidence of **up-to-date immunisations**, such as influenza and COVID-19 vaccinations, depending on the host service's policies.
- Complete a National Police Check, if required by the placement provider.



It's essential to consult with your chosen training provider for specific requirements and to ensure all prerequisites are met prior to placement.

If you need assistance finding a suitable placement or have further questions about the work placement process, feel free to ask!

Delivery Mode

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

Course Duration

Estimated 6–12 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 (Diploma) – awarded upon successful completion of all requirements.

Course Fees

From \$1,900 full course or \$220 per unit. Funding may be available for NSW residents (eligibility criteria apply).

Pathways After This Course

Career Pathways

- Lead Educator / Room Leader
- Educational Leader
- Centre Director (with experience)
- Family Day Care Coordinator
- OSHC (Out of School Hours Care) Coordinator



Study Pathways

- Bachelor of Early Childhood Education (with credit transfer)
- Advanced Diploma of Community Sector Management
- CHC50221 Diploma of School Age Education and Care

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.

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**.

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.

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.
- Enrolment Link: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/wFyaPT4rBb</u>

RTO Details / Compliance Info

Bankstown Education and Skills Training Centre RTO Code: 40651 Address: 8 Fetherstone Street, Bankstown NSW Phone: (02) 9791 0015 Email: info@bankstowneducation.com.au Website: www.bankstowneducation.com.au