



Bedford College

CHILD CARE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

CERTIFICATE III DIPLOMA

Course Structure and Hours

During the course, students work with children from Birth to 5 years. Students attend College three days a week from 9am to 3pm, spend one day in the online classroom, and work one day in a registered early learning centre. An optional supervised study period is available from 3pm–4pm each day for students who need additional help or revision.

Practicum

Apart from the weekly practicum placement, students also undertake 2 x 2 week practicum blocks in their centre. A minimum of 250 hours of practicum applies to this course.

Dual Diploma

The Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care (0–5 yrs) and the Diploma of School Age Education and Care (5–12 yrs) is also offered as a Dual Diploma. By completing the two diplomas, graduates will be qualified to work with children right through from Birth – 12 Year olds. This will provide the opportunity to work in a range of early childhood and school age education and care settings.

Enrolment

- ▶ Satisfactory completion of Year 10
- ▶ No ATAR is required
- ▶ Students who have not completed Year 12 undertake the mandatory government-approved test in reading and numeracy (LLN); This test is arranged for you by the College.

Unique Student Identifier (USI)

Students are required to have a Unique Student Identifier in order to undertake a nationally recognised course. For more details go to www.usi.gov.au

Working with Children Check

A Working With Children Check is mandatory for anyone in child-related work. Students enrolling in an Early Childhood Education course should be aware that inability to satisfy the Working With Children Check requirements will be unable to obtain work in the industry.

University Pathways

We are pleased to be able to provide our graduates with guaranteed entry (with credit) into a range of leading universities offering B.Early Childhood, B.Education and/or B.Teaching degrees. Many university programs are flexible and can be undertaken full-time on campus or part-time whilst working. It's true to say that there are currently Bedford Graduates studying in almost every university in New South Wales. Check our website for more details.

VET Student Loans Available

VET Student Loans is an Australian Government loan scheme that provides assistance for eligible applicants (Australian Citizens and holders of a Humanitarian Visa only) to pay their tuition fees for higher level VET courses. No interest is charged on the loan. For more details go to: www.education.gov.au/vet-student-loans

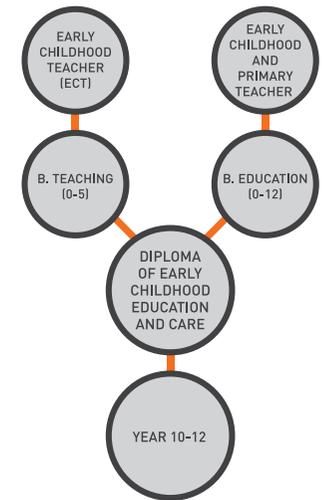
Commonwealth Benefits Are Available

Youth Allowance & Austudy/Abstudy benefits are available to eligible applicants, more information is available through Centrelink on 13 2490.

Campus Information

Glebe: The Glebe Campus is located on Parramatta Road, directly opposite Sydney University and only a 10 minute bus trip from Central Railway Station.

Norwest: The Norwest Campus is located in the heart of the Norwest Business Park, on the corner of Norwest Boulevard and Columbia Court. Student parking is available.



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Glebe Campus | 54 Parramatta Road, Glebe NSW 2037 (directly opposite Sydney University)

Norwest Campus | 2 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills NSW 2153 (corner Norwest Boulevard and Columbia Court)

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EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION and
SCHOOL AGE EDUCATION AND CARE

Diploma

Established in 1944, Bedford College is a well-respected not-for-profit Registered Training Organisation (RTO) with a long-standing reputation for training excellence in a caring, friendly environment.

The College places importance on attitude, respect, acceptance, tolerance, honesty and a belief that every person can achieve their personal best if they are provided with the right opportunities.

With most children today living in a family where both parents work, the need for quality early learning centres is growing rapidly. Many centres have long waiting lists and the need for more qualified early childhood educators continues to grow.

'Skills for Life'

Early Childhood Education and Care Courses

- ▶ **Diploma of Early Childhood Education & Care (CHC50113)** – 40 Weeks CRICOS Code: 081411K
- ▶ **Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care (CHC30113)** – 20 Weeks CRICOS Code: 081410M
- ▶ **Diploma of School Age Education & Care (CHC50213)** – 40 weeks CRICOS Code: 087912G
- ▶ **DUAL DIPLOMA: Diploma of Early Childhood Education & Care (CHC50113) and Diploma of School Age Education and Care (CHC50213)** – 44 weeks



Employment Opportunities

- ▶ Director – Early Childhood Centre
- ▶ Team Leader
- ▶ Authorised Supervisor
- ▶ Special Needs Worker
- ▶ Early Childhood Educator
- ▶ Room Leader
- ▶ Vacation Care Worker
- ▶ Out of School Hours (OOSH) Manager/Coordinator
- ▶ Family Day Care Worker/Operator
- ▶ Children's Services Coordinator
- ▶ Nanny/Au Pair – National and International
- ▶ Child Development Worker
- ▶ Program Leader
- ▶ Other child care facilities including in crèches and on cruise ships etc.

Fully Accredited Courses

Bedford College is registered in Australia by the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA). All courses are fully accredited and align with the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF). This means that the qualification you receive at Bedford is recognised by industry and other training providers and is therefore portable should you wish to advance your studies later.

"Watching children learn, grow and develop is something I have always enjoyed."

Stephanie Chaikha-Douaihy