VENUE AND DURATION OF COURSE:
John Ruskin College, Selsdon Park Road, South Croydon, CR2 8JJ, 2 years full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:
Five GCSEs grade 9-4 (A*-C), which must include Maths and English, or a Level 2 Diploma, with GCSEs or Functional Skills including Maths and English, and a clean DBS. Positive references from school regarding behaviour, attendance and punctuality. Vocational work placement.

Childcare courses are designed to equip students with the skills needed to look after children. Therefore, it is important to be emotionally balanced and resilient to cope with challenging situations and the demands of working within the childcare sector. You will need to be creative, enthusiastic and enjoy working with children.

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS WILL I GET?
Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator) NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
The Early Years Education and Care (Early Years Educator) NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma prepares students to become Early Years educators, enabling them to work with children from birth to 5 years and gain knowledge of children aged 5-7 years. Upon achievement of this qualification it is intended that students will be able to enter the workforce as early year’s educators or access higher education (with the appropriate UCAS points).

UNITS/TOPICS COVERED:
There are 15 Units that are covered over a 2 year course, with topics relating to childcare and education. This programme incorporates experience within in a real work environment which is an integral part of the course and takes place in an early years setting for a minimum of 2 days per week plus block assessment weeks.

TYPE OF ASSESSMENT:
Assessment is in the form of 15 Unit assignments, an effective practice study task and an extended assessment task, together with direct observation of practical skills and knowledge in a real work environment.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED:
- Text books
- Stationery – USB, ring binder, dividers, pens, paper, plastic wallets etc
- Access to IT an advantage
- Students are required to purchase uniform which consists of polo shirts and a fleece (optional). You will also be expected to wear appropriate trousers/skirt and shoes. Childcare students need to be aware that excessive jewellery and nail extensions are not appropriate to the industry.

WHERE CAN IT LEAD?
Employment as a Professional Early Years Educator, Classroom Learning Support Assistant, Nanny, Child-Minder, or Play Worker, or progress to higher education studying subject areas such as early years teaching, nursing, midwifery, social work, or a degree of your choice. You can also consider joining our part-time Foundation Degree in Early Years Care & Education.
COURSE FEE:
If you are under 19 on 31/08/2020, tuition is free. If you are 19 or over, please consult Client Services for advice and guidance on funding and eligibility.

Please be aware that there may be additional costs for equipment and educational visits. This information will be available from the curriculum staff at interview.

WHAT TO DO NEXT:
If you have any outstanding queries please contact our Client Services team on 020 8651 1131 or at clientservices@johnruskin.ac.uk.

To apply online for this course please visit www.johnruskin.ac.uk.

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