

Caring Professions

Help others in a rich and rewarding career in Care. Our courses will develop your skills in research, management, family life and child development, with many opportunities to put your knowledge into practice. The College has excellent links with a host of organisations offering work experience opportunities. There will be visits to other educational establishments and relevant conferences and you will also be able to participate in the day-to-day running of the College's two on-site nurseries.

Our learners have progressed to "top-up" their degrees with local and national universities. Alternatively, many are offered employment within either the Childcare or Health and Social Care sector, and careers include educational psychology, social work or teaching.



Neeru Dutt, Higher National Diploma: Advanced Practice in Work with Children and Families (Management)

After a career break, Neeru decided to work and gain a qualification, she enrolled on the HND course at Leicester College.

Neeru said, "The course has built my confidence and expanded my knowledge and understanding of working with children and families. Since starting the course, I've been encouraged by placement staff to apply for a Deputy post in a nursery setting, and I've built a great relationship with the other learners and tutors.

"I'll be able to put what I've learnt on the course into practice, which I am really looking forward to."



Higher National Diploma: Advanced Practice in Work with Children and Families (Management)

For childcare professionals wanting to enhance their management skills.

What is this course about?

This course is ideal if you have experience of working within the childcare profession and are looking to undertake a university level qualification in Advanced Practice and Management.

The course includes research, management in an early years environment, effective leadership, child protection and early years curriculum. You will undertake work placements which will enable you to apply theoretical concepts and build on your practical experience.

What do I need to start?

You require a minimum of 80 UCAS points in one of the following, plus four GCSEs at grade C or above: (preferably including English):

- an AS level in a relevant subject
- equivalent qualifications and childcare experience.

For overseas and mature learners' entry requirements, please see the "How to Apply" pages.

How long is the course?

Two years, full-time.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment is continuous.

What is the fee?

In 2009, the fee was £1,285. There may be an inflation-linked increase for 2010. Support for funding may be available from Leicester City Council. Please call 0116 224 2240 for further information.

Who is the awarding body?

This course is awarded by Edexcel.

What else do I need to know?

Work experience is compulsory as part of this course. This course is subject to a Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) disclosure.

What can I progress to?

There may be an opportunity to progress on to a course of further study to achieve Early Years Professional status, following successful completion of the HND. You may choose to apply to "top-up" the qualification to a full Degree. Alternatively, you could choose to enter employment in management within a childcare setting or progress your career in a variety of related fields such as educational psychology, social work or teaching.

How do I apply?

Please apply to Leicester College.
Call 0116 224 2240 for further information.



Key Facts

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| Course Code | A4234 |
| Course Starts | September |
| Course Ends | June |
| Location | Abbey Park Campus |
| See also... | Caring Professions page 36 |

If you are interested in this course and would like more information please email info@leicestercollege.ac.uk or call 0116 224 2240 to speak to an adviser.



Foundation Degree: Children, Families and Community Health

Associate College Course in
conjunction with



This course is for those interested in the health and welfare of children, parenting and studying the family within a community and statutory framework.

What is this course about?

This course prepares you to work in a management capacity with children. You will gain an understanding of the health and welfare of communities, families and children and the practical experience of engaging with them. This course is suitable if you are working in Sure Start centres, social services or the Health Service.

The first year of the course includes studying the social context of:

- family life
- human biology
- strategies for effective parenting.

What do I need to start?

Four to five GCSEs at grade C to (including English) and one A2 level in a relevant subject, or equivalent qualifications and childcare experience.

Applications are welcome from mature learners without the relevant qualifications.

How long is the course?

Three years, part-time.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment for this course is through a combination of coursework and exams.

What is the fee?

In 2009, the fee was £628. There may be an inflation-linked increase for 2010. Support for funding may be available from your local council. Please call 0116 224 2240 for further information.

Who is the awarding body?

This Foundation Degree is awarded by De Montfort University.

What else do I need to know?

Work placements are compulsory only if you are not working within an early years setting. This course is subject to a Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) disclosure. It is possible, if you do not wish to take the whole course, to leave after one year and successfully complete a University Certificate of Professional Development.

What can I progress to?

You may choose to apply to “top-up” the qualification to a Degree, or you may progress your career in a variety of related fields such as educational psychology, social work and teaching.

How do I apply?

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Key Facts

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| Course Ends | June |
| Location | Abbey Park Campus |
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