

# Caring Professions



The university level courses in this area offer you a chance to develop your skills so you are prepared to work in a variety of careers, social work, health studies and education.

Previous learners have progressed to "top-up" top an honours degree at University or furthered their careers in a variety of related fields such as educational psychology, social work and teaching.

You will be able to improve your skills in research, management, family life and child development, with many opportunities to put your knowledge into practice.



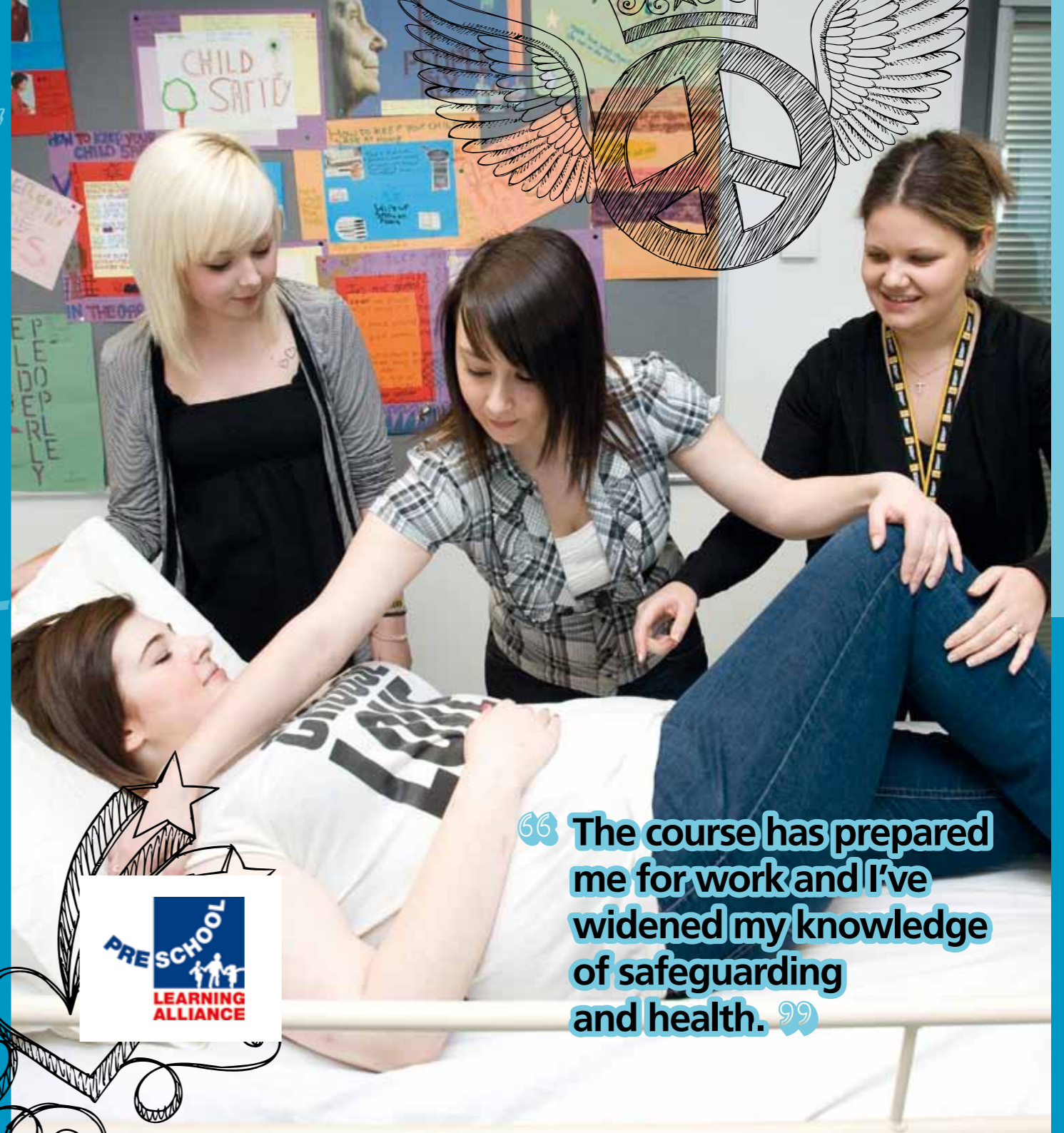
## Mable Katsande – Foundation Degree in Children, Families and Community Health

When expecting her first child, hairdresser Mable realised she wanted a change of career. Working with children and families appealed to her, so she decided to enrol on a course in this area.

Now in her second year of the course, Mable is gaining experience in the Care sector through working at Homestart, a voluntary sector organisation for young families.

She said: "The course was exactly what I wanted; giving me the flexibility I needed whilst I was pregnant. I wasn't finding hairdressing fulfilling, however otherw mums would tell me their problems and I saw I could do something about it, and see the good results of my work at the end of it.

"Education is important to be employable; I cannot begin to say how much I have learnt."



“The course has prepared me for work and I’ve widened my knowledge of safeguarding and health.”

# Foundation Degree in Children, Families and Community Health

This full and part-time course is designed for people who would like a career in the broad Care Industries working with children, families and communities.

## Full-time or Part-time

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| UCAS Code     | Full-time D26 LL35 |
| Course Code   | Part-time A1639    |
| Course Starts | September          |
| Course Length | Two/Three years    |
| Location      | Abbey Park Campus  |

This is a De Montfort University franchised programme designed for people working or volunteering with children, young people and families in a wide range of contexts.

The course comprises of 16 modules and is studied over two years for the full time route and three years for the part time route. Eight modules are at level 4 and are studied in year one and eight at level 5 in year two.

## What do I need to start?

Entry requirements are a minimum of 180 UCAS points plus GCSE English and Maths at C or above. Adult Literacy and Numeracy at level 2 will also be acceptable. Learners must be employed or volunteering in an appropriate setting or be willing to organise this.

We welcome applications from adult learners who do not match the standard entry requirements but who can demonstrate a commitment to studying this subject at University level, and who can evidence academic or vocational experience in a related field.

International learners please see page 102.

## How long is the course?

Two years, full-time.  
Three years, part-time.

## How will I be assessed?

A variety of assessments methods are used including essays, presentations, reports and examinations.

## What is the fee?

The fee is currently under evaluation and yet to be confirmed. Please call 0116 224 2240 for the latest fee information.

## Who is the awarding body?

De Montfort University. Please see Associate Universities page 112.

## What else do I need to know?

If you are not in employment, you must obtain CRB clearance before enrolment.

## What can I do next?

The Foundation Degree is a qualification of choice for some employment.

Some learners choose to top up their final qualification by joining the final year of a BA Honours programme at De Montfort University or another Higher Education provider. Current top up routes available are: BA Health Studies, BA Evaluating Practice: Working with Children.

## How do I apply?

For the full-time, please apply to UCAS at [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com). For the part-time please apply to Leicester College. Call 0116 224 2240 for further information.

