

## Certificate: First Steps to a Career in Childcare

Fife College

### Venues

Glenrothes (Stenton) Campus

### Content

This course provides an introduction to a childcare career within social services. There's a great demand for social services workers, from providing practical help and support to keeping vulnerable adults or children safe. It's a career for people who like people.

You will learn skills required to organise a safe environment for children and plan suitable play experiences for the various stages of development, and study units required for progression into the field of childhood practice.

You will undertake a two-day work placement within a childcare setting, providing you with valuable experience of working with children whilst linking theory to practice. Patterns of placement may vary between campuses.

You will study: Working in early learning and childcare; Child development; Play in early learning and childcare; Care of children; Maintenance of a safe environment for children; History of childcare; Promote the safeguarding of children and young people; The Core Skills of ICT, numeracy and communication will be developed and certificated on this course.

This course incorporates National 4 Skills for Work Early Education and Childcare.

### Start Date

September

### Qualification

Other

### Study Method

Full time

### Course Length

1 year

### Department

Care and Social Sciences

### Entry Requirements

2 subjects at National 4 including English or relevant national qualifications at SCQF Level 3 or 4. Interview and personal statement.

You will require a satisfactory criminal record check from Disclosure Scotland to show that you are suitable for this type of course. Contact Disclosure Scotland for details on the type you would need.

## SCQF Level

4

## Progression Routes

Relevant national qualifications

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