

## Early Childhood

Open University in Scotland

### Content

Ready to deepen your understanding of young children's lives and experiences? This diploma is ideal if you work with children from birth to seven years or want to build on your knowledge in this important area. You'll investigate early childhood from national and international perspectives with a focus on the central importance of children's voices and the participatory nature of young children's experiences. You'll enhance your understanding of policy and practice in early childhood, preparing you for further study. This diploma also provides a strong foundation for careers working with young children and their families across all sectors.

### Start Date

October

### Qualification

DipHE

### Study Method

Online learning

### Course Length

Flexible

### Faculty

General

### Department

Education, Childhood, Youth and Sport

### Entry Requirements

There are no formal entry requirements to study this degree. Computer and internet access necessary.

You do not need to be working with young children in order to study this qualification; however to enhance your learning in core practice-focused modules, it is strongly recommended that students gain direct experience with young children (birth to 7 years). Students not working with young children (employed or in a voluntary capacity) will need to negotiate opportunities to gain such practical experience. It is your responsibility and that of your employer – not the OU's - to ensure the necessary criminal record check required for the setting and country in which you're working is obtained and that you meet the 'fit person' criteria for work with young children.

### SCQF Level

8

## Progression Routes

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## Combination Courses

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