

Course Information

CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

ASQA Approved: Yes

Recognised Australia wide: Yes



Course Description

Through the *Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care*, you will be introduced to working in the field of early childhood. It is the minimum qualification to gain employment in ACECQA approved early childhood services and often the qualification studied for those wanting to begin their career in early childhood education. Rise has developed this qualification to give students theoretical knowledge and practical skills to work with children (from birth to school age) in a range of early childhood settings, which fall under the education and care national regulations and the national quality standard. Upon the completion of this course students will have the knowledge and skills to support the implementation of the early years learning framework, while supporting children's wellbeing, learning and development.

Duration

The time frame to deliver this course is 12 – 18 months.

Career Opportunity

The Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care provides for employment in the following roles:

- Assistant Educator in long day care
- Assistant Educator in childcare centres
- Assistant Educator in a Kindergarten or preschool program
- Assistant Educator in occasional care
- Family Day Care Educator
- Nanny or babysitter

Entry Requirements

- A sound ability to read, write and speak English
- A basic ability to apply numeracy
- A current **Working with Children Check**

Pathways to Further Study

On completion of this qualification, you can join the CHC50121 Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care to continue your education career.

Qualification Outline: CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care - Certificate 3 Guarantee (Queensland Government funded program)

Name of Qualification: Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

National Course Code: CHC30121

Packaging Rules: 17 units including 15 core & 2 electives

Commencement: Enroll Anytime

Locations: Queensland

Recognition: Nationally Recognized Training

Duration Study Load: 12 – 18 months

Entry Requirements:

- Be aged 15 years or older (no longer at school)
- Permanently reside in Queensland
- Be an Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident
- Not hold or enrolled in a Certificate III or Higher-level qualification.
- (Not including qualifications completed at school and foundation skills training)
- English Language & Academic Requirements.

If you are eligible for funding under Certificate 3 Guarantee, the Queensland Government will subsidise the costs of their accredited training, although a student contribution fee will be required.

Please note:

- Course fees include all resources and materials.
- FEE FREE training for year 12 graduates.
- Students who do not meet the eligibility criteria for Certificate 3 Guarantee Funding, fees will be calculated at the Fee-For-Service rates.

Qualification Name	Course Code	Number of Units	Workplace Min Hours	Student Contribution Fee	Student Concession Fee
Certificate III in Early Childhood Education & Care	CHC30121	17	160	\$272 \$16 per unit of competency	\$136 \$8 per unit of competency

Qualification Outline: CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care - Fee for Service(No funding)

Name of Qualification: Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

National Course Code: CHC30121

Packaging Rules: 17 units including 15 core & 2 electives

Commencement: Enroll Anytime

Locations: Queensland and Other states in Australia

Recognition: Nationally Recognized Training

Duration Study Load: 12 – 18 months

Entry Requirements:

- Be aged 15 years or older (no longer at school)
- Permanently reside in Queensland
- Be an Australian/New Zealand citizen, Australian/New Zealand permanent resident
- Not hold or not enrolled in a certificate III or higher-level qualification
- Not including qualifications completed at school and foundation skills training
- English Language & Academic Requirements

Qualification Name	Course Code	Number of Units	Enrolment Fee	Resource Materials Fee	Cost per Unit	Total Cost
Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care	CHC30121	17	\$200	\$150	\$200	\$3750

Qualification Outline: CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care - RPL

Name of Qualification: Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

National Course Code: CHC30121

Packaging Rules: 17 units including 15 core & 2 electives

Commencement: Enroll Anytime

Locations: Queensland and Other states in Australia

Recognition: Nationally Recognized Training

Duration Study Load: 26 weeks

Entry Requirements:

- Be aged 15 years or older (no longer at school)
- Permanently reside in Queensland
- Be an Australian/New Zealand citizen, Australian/New Zealand permanent resident
- Not hold or not enrolled in a certificate III or higher-level qualification
- Not including qualifications completed at school and foundation skills training
- English Language & Academic Requirements
- At least 2 years work experience in the Childcare industry or equivalent
- At least 2 testimonials from the workplace Diploma qualified supervisor or co-workers
- Candidate's CV and a detailed job description from your current workplace and other relevant documents to certify your working experience

Qualification Name	Course Code	Number of Units	Enrolment Fee	Resource Materials Fee	Cost per Unit	Total Cost
Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care	CHC30121	16(without HLTAID012)	\$200	\$150	\$100	\$1950

This qualification reflects the role of workers in a range of early childhood education settings who work within the requirements of the Education and Care Services National Regulations and the National Quality Standard. They support the implementation of an approved learning framework, and support children's wellbeing, learning and development. Depending on the setting, educators may work under direct supervision or autonomously. The Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care is regarded as the entry level qualification to a career in the early childhood industry.

COURSE OUTLINE

The CHC30121 clusters, and units within each group, have been sequenced to follow the logical framework according to the job role.

Cluster 1 – Working in Early Childhood Education and Care

- o CHCECE056 Work effectively in children’s education and care.
- o HLTAID012 Provide first aid in an education and care setting.
- o HLTWHS001 Participate in workplace health and safety.
- o CHCECE055 Meet legal and ethical obligations in children’s education and care.
- o CHCPRT001 Identify and respond to children and young people at risk.
- o BSBWRT311 Write simple documents

(Work Placement can commence once student has been deemed Satisfactory in theory component of first cluster units of competency)

Cluster 2 – Developing relationships in Early Childhood Education and Care.

- o CHCECE033 Develop positive and respectful relationships with children.
- o CHCECE037 Support children to connect with the natural environment.

Cluster 3 – Care practices in Early Childhood Education and Care.

- o CHCECE031 Support children’s health, safety and wellbeing
- o CHCECE034 Use an approved learning framework to guide practice.
- o CHCECE032 Nurture babies and toddlers.

Cluster 4 – Inclusion in Early Childhood Education and Care.

- o CHCECE030 Support inclusion and diversity
- o CHCECE054 Encourage understanding of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples’ cultures
- o CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people (Elective)

Cluster 5 – Supporting Play as Learning in Early Childhood Education and Care

- o CHCECE035 Support the holistic learning and development of children.
- o CHCECE036 Provide experiences to support children’s play and learning.
- o CHCECE038 Observe children to inform practice.

WORK PLACEMENT

As a part of Rise Education & Training, students are required to undertake work placement. This is the opportunity to develop and demonstrate the application of skills and knowledge in a workplace context. Written assessments allow you to demonstrate your knowledge, and a work placement allows you to demonstrate actual skills in a real-life workplace. You will become exposed to real work conditions and expectations and develop generic employability skills as well as job-specific skills and knowledge.

Work placement also provides insight into particular job roles and responsibilities within an industry context. Students will be required to undergo a Working with Children clearance, if not already held. Workplaces will be checked/approved on acceptance of enrolment, please ensure you complete details of your workplace or intended workplace on the enrolment form. Rise Education & Training does not organise Work Placement, this is the responsibility of the student, but can help guide you in this area.

Required Work Placement hours:

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160hrs(minimum) (At least 80 hours of which needs to be completed working with babies & Toddlers)
Approx. 20 Hours per week

The required work placement hours can be completed over a period agreed with your service, e.g. 2 days a week or in large blocks such as during School Holidays. The Work Placement hours will need to be confirmed with your trainer to meet requirements