

23101 08 CACHE Foundation in Caring for Children

Level 1

This is a one-year course which provides an introduction to working with children. It provides the opportunity for you to develop basic skills in caring for children which you can use as a basis for further training in childcare. Practical work placements in childcare settings are a recommended part of the course.

Course Duration
One year

Course Content
A range of subjects including:

- Personal Development
- Human Growth and Development

- Food and Nutrition
- Health and Safety
- Care of Children
- Play and Practical Activities
- Preparation for Employment.

Key Skills
All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course
Candidates need to demonstrate a strong

interest in working with children. All candidates will be interviewed by child care teaching staff and positive references will be required. Ideally, candidates should have some experience of working with children

Study Centre
Main Site, Kingsway, Dunstable

After the course is finished
This childcare qualification could lead to further study on the CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Childcare and Education.

100% pass rate in 2006/07

23102 08 CACHE (ACD) in Childcare and Education

Level 2

The CACHE Level 2 Diploma in Childcare and Education is a one year course of study and training for students to become early years workers. The course involves two days work experience and three days in college and self study. The learning programme is at level 2 and is designed to underpin practical experience.

Course Duration
One year

Course Content
The course is delivered in core units:

- An Introduction to Working with Children
- The Developing Child
- Safe, Healthy and Nurturing Environments for Children
- Children and Play
- Communication and Professional Skills within Childcare and Education
- The Childcare Practitioner in the Workplace.

Optional units (to be decided at a later date):

- Working with Children from Birth and Age five years
- Play Activity for Children from Birth and Age 16 years
- Supporting Children with Special Needs
- Introduction to Children's Learning
- Supporting Children and Families.

The qualification is split into three stages: Award, Certificate and Diploma, with the Award and Certificate building towards the Level 2 Diploma. Students will need to progress to the Diploma to obtain the full Level 2 qualification to be able to practice as a qualified early years practitioner. Students may progress to the Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education.

Key Skills
All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in

Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course
A GCSE in English Grade C or above is desirable or the Foundation Award in Caring for Children. An interest in and experience of working with children are also required.

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After the course is finished
A student may progress on to the CACHE Level 3 Diploma, or can start working with children as a nursery assistant, pre-school assistant, playgroup assistant, homestart worker.

23103 08 CACHE (ACD) in Childcare and Education

Level 3

This is a two-year modular training course for anyone wishing to work with young children. You will learn about children at different stages in their growth and development. You will also learn how to care for and educate children and how to work with parents. Practical work placements in real work settings are an integral part of the course and form an important part of the assessment scheme.

Course Duration
Two years

Course Content
The course is delivered in nine core units:

- An Introduction to Working with Children
- Development from Conception to Age 16 years
- Supporting Children
- Keeping Children safe
- The Principles underpinning the Role of

the Practitioner working with Children

- Promoting a healthy Environment for children
- Play and Learning in Children's Education
- Caring for Children
- Development of Professional Skills with Children's Education.

And three optional units have been selected by the centre as required:

- Nutrition and healthy Food for Children
- Child, Family and Outside World
- Working with Babies from Birth to 12 Months.

Key Skills
All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology and also be required to undertake a Basic Food Hygiene Certificate and a First Aid Certificate.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course
Applicants will need four GCSEs including English at Grade C or above. All applicants will be interviewed and will need to show a strong desire to work with children, the ability to cope with coursework, communication skills and a commitment to Equal Opportunities Practice.

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Main Site, Kingsway, Dunstable

After the course is finished
The course leads to a nationally and internationally recognised qualification for employment purposes in various settings such as Education, Health Service, Social Services and the Private Sector.

Level 1

The Level 1 courses are designed to give you an introduction to working within the industry. They will provide you with a basic knowledge of the industry and an awareness and ability to use a range of hand tools.

Level 2

The Level 2 course qualifies an individual to work as a tradesperson within the industry. It is a certificate of competence that shows an employer that you have achieved a level of understanding and technical ability to work independently.

Level 3

This is the highest course that any tradesperson can achieve in the construction industry. The equivalent of the advanced craft certificate marks you out as a person who has a command of every aspect of the trade. Achievement of this award, linked to industrial experience will give you the opportunity to become a Licentiate of the City and Guilds and give you the status of Master Craftsman.

21201 08 City and Guilds Certificate in Basic Construction Skills

Level 1

If you are looking for a course that can either give you a range of multi-skills and basic skills or one that can lead you on to a trade career then this is the one for you.

Course Duration
One year

Course Content
The multi-skills element covers:

- Concreting
- Brickwork
- Kerb Laying.

The trade specific training can be accessed to provide you with the basics of:

- Brickwork
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Painting
- Plumbing.

Key Skills
All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

There are no specific entry requirements.

Study Centre
Kingsland Skills Institute, Houghton Regis

After the course is finished
On successful completion of the course, you can go on to do one of the trade specific City and Guilds courses. Alternatively, you could gain employment in the construction sector.

100% pass rate in 2006/07

21202 08 City and Guilds Brickwork

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21204 08

Level 1
Level 2
Level 3

This course is specifically designed to provide you with the training and experience necessary to become a full crafts person.

Course Duration
One year per level

Course Content
This course covers:

- All aspects of Brickwork
- Scaffolding
- Roofing
- Tiling
- Basic Plastering.

Key Skills
All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

Level 1
There are no specific entry requirements.

Level 2
Three GCSEs at Grade D or a relevant Level 1 award.

Level 3
An appropriate Level 2 Award is required and also relevant industrial practice.

Study Centre
Kingsland Skills Institute, Houghton Regis

After the course is finished
These courses provide the opportunity for you to take your trade skills to the highest possible level. As well as providing you with full craftsman status they can provide the basis for technician level studies.



21505 08 City and Guilds Carpentry and Joinery 21506 08 21507 08

Level 1
Level 2
Level 3

This course is specifically designed to provide you with the training and experience to become a full craftsman.

Course Duration
One year per level

Course Content

The course covers all aspects of:

- Carpentry and Joinery which includes site and bench joinery
- Use of Hand Tools
- Use of Portable Tools
- Use of Industrial Woodworking Machinery.

Key Skills

All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

Level 1
There are no specific entry requirements.

Level 2
Three GCSEs at Grade D or a relevant Level 1 award.

Level 3

An appropriate Level 2 Award is required and also relevant industrial practice.

Study Centre

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21205 08 City and Guilds Plumbing 21206 08 21207 08

Level 1
Level 2
Level 3

This course is specifically designed to provide you with the training and experience to become a full craftsman.

Course Duration
One year per level

Course Content

The course covers:

- Domestic Plumbing Practice
- Use of Hand Tools
- Lead Sheeting
- Unvented systems
- Water regulations.

Key Skills

All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

Level 1
There are no specific entry requirements.

Level 2
Three GCSEs at Grade D or a relevant Level 1 award.

Level 3

An appropriate Level 2 Award is required and also relevant industrial practice.

Study Centre

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21502 08 City and Guilds Furniture Making 21503 08 21504 08

Level 1
Level 2
Level 3

This course is specifically designed to provide you with the training and experience to become a full craftsman.

Course Duration
One year per level

Course Content

This award will take you from the introductory skills through to the advanced techniques in either production line-based or hand-crafted furniture.

Key Skills

All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

Level 1
There are no specific entry requirements.

Level 2
Three GCSEs at Grade D or a relevant Level 1 award.

Level 3

An appropriate Level 2 Award is required and also relevant industrial practice.

Study Centre

Kingsland Skills Institute, Houghton Regis

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21101 08 City and Guilds 2251 (Performing Engineering Operations) NVQ in Engineering

Level 1

This course is suitable for those who wish to pursue a career in Engineering and gain a recognised qualification. It provides essential job knowledge and understanding and leads on to further study.

Course Duration

One year
It is also available as a day release course over two years.

Course Content

The course consists of Core Vocational Units from a National programme in the fields of Electrical, Mechanical, Engineering and Welding, supported by appropriate qualifications in numeracy and literacy.

Students will study the following:

- Working Safely in an Engineering Environment
- Developing Yourself and Working with Other People on Engineering Activities.

Students will have the opportunity to choose two or more of the following options:

- Wiring and Testing Electrical Circuits
- Machining Engineering Materials
- Use of Hand Tools to make Engineering Components
- Welding and Joining of Metals.

Students must take responsibility for managing their own progress and compiling a portfolio of evidence demonstrating skill attainment. Students have access to well-equipped engineering workshops, computer and laboratory facilities for private study. There are external visits to local industry and technical establishments.

Key Skills

All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

No formal qualifications are required. All applicants will be invited to attend an interview.

Study Centre

Main site, Kingsway, Dunstable.

After the course is finished

Students can progress to NVQ Level 2 in Mechanical, Electrical, Engineering or Welding, gain employment in the engineering industry, or obtain a placement on an Apprenticeship scheme.

21102 08 City and Guilds 2251 NVQ Mechanical/Production Engineering

Level 2

This highly practical course will develop your engineering skills further, preparing you either for work in the engineering sector or for further study.

Course Duration

One year
It is also available as a day release course over two years.

Course Content

The course consists of Core and Optional Units of the National Vocational programmes in the field of Mechanical/Production Engineering and a supporting City and Guilds qualification.

Students will study the following:

- Working Safely in an Engineering Environment
- Developing Yourself and Working with Other People on Engineering Activities
- Using and Communicating Technical Information
- Identifying and Selecting Engineering Materials.

Students must take responsibility for managing their own progress and compiling a portfolio of evidence demonstrating skill attainment. Students have access to well-equipped engineering workshops, computer and laboratory facilities for private study. There are external visits to local industry and technical establishments.

Key Skills

All students aged 16-18 are required to complete the three Key Skills Units in Communication, Application of Number and Information Technology.

Qualifications/experience needed to join the course

Four GCSE passes or equivalent qualifications or industrial experience. You should enjoy practical tasks whilst having an aptitude and enthusiasm for engineering and technology. All applicants will be invited to attend an interview.

Study Centre

Main site, Kingsway, Dunstable.

After the course is finished

Students can gain employment in the engineering industry, go on to an Apprenticeship Scheme or further full-time study on a technician course.

