

Are you studying an NVQ3 Children's Care, Learning and Development, NVQ3 Early Years or NVQ3 Playwork?

What next?



You are entitled to a guaranteed interview for a Foundation Degree in Early Years or Early Childhood Studies at the education providers below.

City of Bath College

City of Bristol College

Gloucestershire College

New College Swindon

Stroud College

Swindon College

Weston College

Wiltshire College

Bath Spa University

University of Bath

University of Gloucestershire

The Open University

UWE Bristol

- > Foundation degrees are work based learning courses delivered by colleges and universities working in partnership with employers.
- > They can be studied full-time or part-time with full-time normally taking two years to complete and part-time three years.
- > They enable you to develop new and existing skills and knowledge at levels 4 and 5 to enhance your career prospects.
- > After completing a Foundation degree you may wish to top-up and gain an honours degree (this usually takes about a year).
- > Foundation degree students are entitled to the same financial support as all other higher education students.

"There have been a lot of light bulb moments! In the past, I knew what I did worked, but the experience on the course means that I now know why it worked, and that means I can see the next step!"

*FdSc Early Childhood Studies student,
Wiltshire College.*

"My employers have been really supportive. They actively encourage training and progression and give me a day a week off to study."

*FdSc Early Years student,
University of Gloucestershire.*

"The course has had a positive impact on my professional practice. Being able to critically reflect on my practice, bring and apply new and different approaches to my work (approaches which I would have never considered possible before) has greatly enhanced my competence and understanding as an Early Years practitioner."

*Emma, FdEd Early Years,
Weston College.*

"Undertaking a Foundation degree has been a rewarding and valuable experience. I have gained indispensable decision-making and management skills to support children's development and learning. The lecturers are approachable and supportive, keeping me up-to-date with current issues and policies in a rapidly changing industry."

*Maria, FdEd Early Years,
City of Bristol College.*

Courses	University/College
	<p>Bath Spa University: FdEd Early Years at:</p> <p>City of Bath College 01225 312191 enquiries@citybathcoll.ac.uk</p> <p>City of Bristol College 0117 3125211 HEinformation@bristol.ac.uk</p> <p>New College Swindon 01793 611470 Ext 207 dawn.hardy@newcollege.ac.uk</p> <p>Weston College 01934 411411 enquiries@weston.ac.uk</p>
<p>NVQ3 Children's Care, Learning and Development</p>	<p>University of Bath: FdSc Early Childhood Studies</p> <p>Wiltshire College 01225 756264 info@wiltscoll.ac.uk</p> <p>FdSc Early Years Swindon College 01793 498912 anitawilliams@swindon-college.ac.uk</p>
<p>NVQ3 Early Years</p>	<p>University of Gloucestershire: FdA Children and Young People's Practice 0844 8011100 admissions@glos.ac.uk</p> <p>FdA Early Years Gloucestershire College (year 1) Royal Forest of Dean College 01242 714072 foundationdegrees@glos.ac.uk</p>
<p>NVQ3 Playwork</p>	<p>The Open University: Fd Early Years Fd Working with Young People 0845 300 60 90 www.open.ac.uk</p>
	<p>UWE Bristol: FdA Early Years Stroud College 01453 761126 enquire@stroudcoll.ac.uk</p>

- Your NVQ3 should normally have been awarded within the last 5 years
- You will also need to meet any additional course entry requirements such as appropriate professional practice
- The admissions department within each receiving institution has the final decision on all matters relating to the admission of students.



Western Vocational Lifelong Learning Network

The Western Vocational Lifelong Learning Network aims to widen participation and facilitate the progression of vocational learners into higher education.

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