

A close-up photograph of three young children of diverse ethnicities smiling warmly. They are resting their heads on their hands, which are propped up against a teal-colored background. The child on the left is a young boy with dark hair, wearing a white sweater. The child in the middle is a young boy with dark hair, wearing a green sweater. The child on the right is a young boy with dark hair, wearing a blue plaid shirt. The overall mood is happy and positive.

# BA (Hons) Early Childhood Studies Top-Up Distance Learning



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# Course Overview and Modules

The aim of the programme is to enable experienced practitioners who have experience within the sector, and have already completed relevant level 5 study to top up their existing credits to a full degree.

**Level 6**

**1 year full-time**

**Course Code: X7J9V**

**Institution Code: N64**



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## Entry Requirements

- 5 years experience within the sector
- Level 5 study (HND/FdA or equivalent 240 credit points) in Early Years/Early Childhood Studies or related subject area.
- Accreditation of Prior Learning (APL)

## Course Content

The programme has been designed to consolidate and extend your existing skills, knowledge and understanding of your professional practice by investigation, analysis and reflection on aspects of your work with children and families.

This programme will require approx. 8-12 hours a week private study to access the study materials and engage with wider reading and research.

## Key Topics

- Current Issues and Contemporary Debates
- Language, Learning and the Curriculum
- Innovation and Change in Early Years
- The Reflective Practitioner
- Early Years Dissertation

## Assessment

Your progress will be assessed throughout the course with written feedback provided.

You will be assessed through a variety of means including educational wikis, posters, reports and reflections.

## Progression Routes

This course is designed to be both an exciting and a relevant learning experience and the combination of both theoretical and practical knowledge is essential in an increasingly competitive job market.

Alternatively, you can choose to continue your academic studies with a postgraduate qualification such as a PGCE or an MA in Early Childhood Studies.

## Career Opportunities

There are excellent prospects for graduates in a range of careers in children's services and education. The course provides a route for entry on to Initial Teacher Training or study at Masters level. The course will suit those seeking career progressions into senior management in early years.

Deputy Manager of Children's Centre / Family Support Worker / Outreach Worker / Senior Room Leader / Early Years Foundation Stage Practitioner in Children's Centre / Early Years Teacher Training / Higher Level Teaching Assistant / Teacher Training - School Direct through Doncaster ITT Partnership / Lecturer in Further Education

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