

## Foundation Degree in Early Years Practice (Birth to Five Years)

**Duration** - Two years part time

**Location** - Ashington or Berwick

**Course code** - EYR9001E

### Course outline

This course, developed in collaboration with Northumbria University, is for early years professionals, currently working within the early years foundation stage. Considerable emphasis will be placed upon the use of the workplace as a learning environment where information can be gathered, strategies for children's learning can be implemented and assessment projects facilitated.

### Entry requirements

You will need a level 3 qualification in childcare and one year's qualifying experience within the workplace is desirable. Qualifications in English and maths would be an advantage. Extensive experience can be accepted in place of qualifications for mature students.

### Course content

You will study early years curriculum, study skills, professional practice, theories of learning and development, effective communication, inclusive practice and every child matters, methods of inquiry, multi-agency practice, leadership and management and supporting transitions.

### Assessment methods

Assessment methods will include writing assignments, evaluating and reflecting on practice, presentations, research projects and work based learning. Assessments will be formative to ensure understanding of the requirements and will take place throughout each module as well as summative to determine the final grade for the module.

### Progression opportunities

You could convert your Foundation Degree into an honours degree at Northumbria University and/or choose the Early Years Professional Status route.

### Career opportunities

You could secure a more senior role or work as a graduate leader within an early years setting.

