

CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care

Course Details

This qualification reflects the role of educators in early childhood education and care who work in regulated children’s education and care services in Australia. They support children’s wellbeing, and development in the context of an approved learning framework. Educators use a range of well-developed skills and knowledge and must apply discretion and judgment to the application of these when carrying out their work in the context of established policies and procedures. They may work independently or under the guidance of others, though in some contexts that guidance may not be on-site. Early childhood educators work in long day care centres, family day care, pre-schools or kindergartens. Under the Education and Care Services National Law (2011) the Australian Children’s Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) publishes lists of approved early childhood education and care qualifications and information regarding regulatory requirements here: www.acecqa.gov.au All persons (Employees and Volunteers) will require a Blue Card <https://www.bluecard.qld.gov.au/>

To achieve this qualification, the individual must have completed **a total of least 160 hours of work in a regulated children’s education and care service in Australia** as detailed in the Assessment Requirements of the units of competency. The total number of hours may be applied collectively across all units of competency that include the requirement for workplace hours.

Student Selection **Persons with the language, literacy & numeracy skills to fulfil their job role & complete course AND students must meet industry vaccination mandates**

Job Roles

Early Childhood Educator

Course Pathways

CHC30121 is a prerequisite for Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care

Mackay North State High School delivers the Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care in partnership with and under the direct guidance of Cairns Training Academy.

Student Selection	Persons with the language, literacy and numeracy skills to fulfil their job role
Student Intake	As per individual school VET enrolment policy
Delivery Mode	As per individual school VET timetable and chosen VET delivery mode
Course Duration	As per individual school VET timetable over years 10 to 12

Fees

Details of fees are supplied in the course pre-enrolment induction and in the information brochure for each course and are discussed prior to enrolment. Please consult with the course adviser at your school for further information. Students must pay their fees as requested by their school usually on a term-by-term basis to ensure enrolment remains open and current. This includes:

- Students pay as they go across a maximum of seven terms.
- Students MUST enrol in the course they are accessing and remain financial throughout their enrolment.
- All fees must be paid before students gain their qualification and /or other results.
- All fees must be paid before student data is submitted into the AVETMISS database.

Funded Training - CTA abides by State and Commonwealth Government contractual requirements relating to any student fee contribution and or full or partial exemption of fees for funded courses and any other conditions relating to funding including any fees paid in advance if this should occur in relevance to VETiS.

Refund Policy - CTA strives at all times to be fair and equitable to students. Our policy does not provide for refunds once a school notifies CTA of your enrolment intentions. This is due to the course already being heavily discounted through the partnership arrangement with your school. However, you can cancel your enrolment at any time however your term fees that have already been paid will not be refunded. Be assured though you do not have to pay any further fees to CTA upon CTA being in receipt of your student cancellation form.

Circumstances where a refund is automatic.

- CTA enrolls students and accepts their fees, then cancels the course.

Additional Fee Charges:

- School students who are still enrolled after graduating from school will revert to normal course fee status.
- Reissuing of results and qualifications will incur a \$55.00 fee.

Resources

Online delivery - Learning and assessment resources are available online 24/7.

Outcome

On successful completion of all units within this qualification, participants:

- May receive a Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care (dependent on the success of completion)
- May be awarded up to 8 QCE points.
- Can seek employment as a qualified Educator.
- Could benefit from enhanced tertiary options as the CHC30121 Certificate III may contribute to your ATAR
- Diploma eligible as CHC30121 is a pre-requisite for CHC50121 Diploma of early childhood education and care

Industry Placement

Students enrolling in this program will be required to demonstrate their skills during a **minimum, mandatory 160 hours of placement in a regulated early childhood education and care service in Australia.**

How is the Course Delivered & Assessed?

Teachers (School-based trainer/assessors) will deliver the training and assess competence following the RTO (Cairns Training Academy) procedures. Students will access learning resources and assessments on-line to gain the underpinning knowledge in addition to learning and demonstrating the practical skills in a regulated Early Childhood setting during 160 hours of mandatory placement. Teachers (School-based trainer/assessors) will determine competence against each unit by following CTA guidelines which includes through gathering evidence from the workplace supervisor that demonstrates the student is competent in both the underpinning knowledge and the practical skills.

Credit Transfer (CT)

If you have completed past studies in areas related to the qualification you plan to enrol in you may be eligible for credit transfer. You will need to provide a Statement of Attainment matching the unit(s) of competency you are seeking credit for.

Units (15 Core units plus 2 Elective units)

Unit Code	Unit Title	
CHCECE030	Support inclusion and diversity	Core
CHCECE031	Support Children's health, safety and well being	Core
CHCECE032	Nurture babies and toddlers	Core
CHCECE033	Develop positive and respectful relationships with children	Core
CHCECE034	Use an approved learning framework to guide practice	Core
CHCECE035	Support the holistic learning and development of children	Core
CHCECE036	Provide experiences to support children's play and learning	Core
CHCECE037	Support children to connect with the natural environment	Core
CHCECE038	Observe children to inform practice	Core
CHCECE054	Encourage understanding of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people culture	Core
CHCECE055	Meet legal and ethical obligations in children's education and Care	Core
CHCECE056	Work effectively in children's education and care	Core
CHCPRT025	Identify and report children and young people at risk	Core
HLTAID012	Provide an emergency first aid response in an education and care setting	Core
HLTWHS001	Participate in work health and safety	Core
HLTFSE001	Follow basic food safety practices	Elective
CHCPRP003	Reflect on and improve own professional practice	Elective