

Do you want to be a Child Care Educator?

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



As the cost of living in Australia increases, more and more families now rely on two incomes to make ends meet.

This means more and more parents are now accessing Childcare services. New Childcare facilities are being opened each week across Australia to meet the needs of working parents. This means there is a GREAT demand for skilled Childcare Educators and this is expected to increase for years to come!

Who wants to be a Childcare Educator? Someone who ...

- ✓ Enjoys working and playing with small children and babies
- ✓ Is patient and happy to work in a noisy environment
- ✓ Is not afraid to 'get their hands dirty'
- ✓ Is able to work flexible hours
- ✓ Can relate well to children and their parents
- ✓ Has good communication skills

What do Childcare Educators do?

- ✓ Supervise children's play, making sure they are safe at all times
- ✓ Clean the work and play areas in the centre, sanitise toys and sleeping areas and change nappies and children's clothes as required
- ✓ Observe and record children's behaviour and development
- ✓ Manage children's behaviour and guide their social development
- ✓ Plan and develop culturally appropriate programs based on individual observation to suit the needs of individual children
- ✓ Supervise and assist with children's personal hygiene, meal times & sleep periods



We can help you.

Where do Childcare Educators work?

- ✓ Indoors and outdoors in Childcare centres and Outside School Hours Care
- ✓ Private homes when working in family day care or as nannies
- ✓ Childcare educators are employed across several industries including: Health Care, Education, Arts and Recreation



Why become a Childcare Educator?

- ✓ There is a **great demand** for Childcare Educators and this is expected to remain the same or increase for years to come
- ✓ Personal job satisfaction working in a role that helps children develop new skills & have fun at the same time

How do I become a Childcare Educator?

- ✓ Start with a work experience placement to get some hands-on experience and get a feel for whether this is the RIGHT CHOICE for you
- ✓ Apply for a working with children blue card
- ✓ Obtain a senior first aid certificate
- ✓ Apply for and complete a 1 year Traineeship and achieve a Certificate III in Children's Services qualification (school based traineeships available)

Want more Information?

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