

# Course Information Sheet

## L1 Award in an Introduction to Early Years

### Settings



#### **Course Description:**

Build your foundation for a fulfilling career with children! Our 6-week L1 Award in Introduction to Early Years equips you with the knowledge and skills to thrive in an early years setting.

This L1 Award is your springboard into the rewarding world of early years care. Over 6 weeks, you'll gain a comprehensive understanding of child development, explore the importance of play in learning, and discover how to create stimulating and nurturing environments for young children. You'll learn essential communication skills for building positive relationships with children and families, while also delving into safeguarding procedures, hygiene practices, and promoting healthy development.

#### **What will I learn?**

- Introduction to Early Years: Explore the roles and responsibilities within early years settings, understand stages of child development from birth to age 5, and discover the importance of play in learning.
- Creating a Supportive Environment: Learn how to create stimulating and nurturing environments, explore effective communication skills for interacting with children, and discover strategies for building positive relationships with families.
- Safeguarding and Wellbeing: Develop a strong understanding of safeguarding procedures, explore hygiene practices to ensure children's health and safety, and learn how to promote healthy development in young children.

### **Who should join this course?**

This course is ideal for anyone interested in a career working with young children, including:

- Those considering becoming a nursery worker or childcare assistant
- Parents or guardians wanting to get involved in early years education
- Individuals seeking a career change

### **Progression Opportunities:**

This L1 Award provides a solid foundation for further study in early years education. You can progress to:

- Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Learning in Schools
- Level 2 Diploma for the Early Years Educator (EYE)
- Early Years Teacher Status (EYTS) qualifications (Higher Levels)

### **Entry Requirements:**

You will be invited to undertake an initial assessment to ascertain your levels of English and maths prior to entry on this course of study.

### **Progression Opportunities:**

#### **Career or Job Enhancement Pathways:**

This course opens doors to various rewarding careers in early years settings, such as:

- Nursery Worker
- Childcare Assistant
- Playworker
- Early Years Educator
- After-School Club Leader

**How do I enrol?**

To apply for this course please go online at [www.oncoursesouthwest.co.uk](http://www.oncoursesouthwest.co.uk) and simply click on the 'How to Enrol' button and complete the Enrolment Form. Once completed one of our customer service team will be in touch. You will be invited to undertake an initial assessment to ascertain your levels of English and maths prior to entry on this course of study. If you have any questions, please call our friendly Learning Advisors on 01752 660713.

**How will the course be delivered?**

This is a practical course, and the sessions will include tutor-led demonstrations, learner-led group activities, instruction and repetition. These will form part of the delivery together with one-to-one support as required.

**Will I need to practise outside the classroom?**

You will be encouraged to review your notes between lessons to ensure maximum benefit from your course. It is always useful to practise your skills between sessions. Your tutor may encourage home learning, or independent research.

**How will I know I'm making progress?**

During the first session, your tutor will discuss your goals and current level in relation to the course. Based on this assessment, you will agree individual targets which you will record in your individual learning plan (ILP). You and your tutor will review your targets regularly to ensure that you are making progress; these will be written in your individual learning plan.

**What will I need?**

Please bring a notepad, and pen to each session. You may wish to bring a file for any handouts. A laptop with internet access is required for completion of coursework and home learning outside of the classroom.

**Please note:**

Most courses attract a subsidy from the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA). It is a requirement of the ESFA that you complete various forms at different stages of your course, further information is available on request. Courses are subject to a minimum number of enrolments and could be cancelled if recruitment is low. In some cases, an alternative class at a different location may be offered.

Terms and conditions are available at

<https://www.oncoursesouthwest.co.uk/learner-information/essential-information-for-every-learner>

Room numbers are subject to change - please check when you arrive at the venue.