

Course title: CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Pre-School Practice	Start date: October 2011
Entry requirements: There are no formal entry requirements but learners must be at least 16 years of age.	Duration of course: 360 hours
Ideal for: It is for people working in pre-school practices, such as Foundation Stage settings, nurseries and playgroups.	Cost: TBA

Brief course description:

The **CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Pre-School Practice** serves as a vital way to build knowledge for those working at a supervised level. It was jointly developed by CACHE and the Pre-school Learning Alliance and is recognised by Southampton City Council and Nursery Companies.

It teaches how to work with colleagues and parents to help provide under-fives with the best possible start in life and offers seamless progression to the Diploma, allowing career development.

Details:

To gain the full Level 2 Certificate, three Core Units must be completed, plus one Optional Unit.

Core Units

Unit 1: Supporting play and learning in the pre-school

Unit 2: Understanding and supporting the development of pre-school children

Unit 3: Providing a safe, secure and stimulating pre-school environment

Optional Units

Unit 1: Supporting children with disabilities or special educational needs and their families in pre-school settings

Unit 2: Participating in effective teams in community based pre-school settings

Methodology:

Students need to be working or volunteering in a pre-school setting for 180 hours during the course. A tutor will support you throughout the course and assignments with guidance and individual tutorials. This includes the 180 hours in supervised study, 30 hours in self-directed learning plus the 150 practical placements hours.

Assessment:

In each unit you will be assessed by a 2000 word written assignment. One is marked by CACHE, the other three are marked by the centre and moderated by CACHE.

Further study:

Qualified learners can progress to:

- [CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Pre-school Practice](#)
- [CACHE NVQ Level 3 in Children's Care, Learning and Development](#)