

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Introduction

Child Development is an exciting subject aimed at giving you an insight into your future. You will look at the responsibilities of parenthood and how to prepare for a new arrival. The course then follows the pregnancy process through until birth and beyond, showing how a child develops physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially up to the age of 5.

As part of the course you will get to experience what it is like to be a new parent by looking after one of our electronic babies for a weekend. You will be inspired by professionals working with families and children and will get to hear first-hand experiences from mums and dads.



What will it be like?

The course is broken up into three units of study as follows:

1. Parenthood, pregnancy and the new born baby
 - The family and parental responsibilities
 - Pregnancy
 - Reproduction
 - Diet and lifestyle during pregnancy
 - Birth & the new born Baby
 - Feeding a new born baby
2. The Development of the Child (0-5 years)
 - Dietary needs of the child (0-5years)
 - Child Health and Education
 - Child Development
 - Physical and Intellectual development
 - Emotional and Social development
 - Communication Development
3. Controlled Assessment – An investigation into an area of child development
The Coursework title is released by C.C.E.A in the September of year 12.

Assessment

Two Exams and one Controlled Assessment

2 x 1 hour 15 minutes' exams = 2 x 30% = 60%

Controlled Assessment = 40%

(one exam in year 11, and one exam in Year 12)

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Career Progression

There are a wide variety of careers that use Child Development such as: a child psychologist, children's clothes designer, social worker, youth worker, health visitor, midwife, nursery assistant, classroom assistant, and teacher or even the opportunity to set up your own business as a child-minder or day nursery.