

Early Education and Childcare at Glasgow Kelvin College, Blairtummock Childcare Centre of Excellence

EVIP Early Education & Childcare is designed to help you understand some of the demands and responsibilities of working with the Early Education & Childcare sector. You will also develop your employability skills and explore the world of work through the opportunity of work experience.

As part of the course, you will continue to work towards qualifications in English and Practical Applications of Mathematics and will still receive PSE and PE classes.

Qualification	Level	Type
<p>Employability You will increase your knowledge on the world of work and also learn how to gain and sustain employment. You will focus on generic employability skills, to enable a successful move into the job market. You will develop skills and attitudes which will be applicable across all areas of employment.</p>	National 3 or 4	Full Award
<p>English You will develop your literacy skills and understand, analyse and evaluate texts in the contexts of literature, language and media. You will also create and produce texts, and develop planning and research skills, applying language skills as appropriate.</p>	National 3 or 4	Full Award
<p>Practical Applications of Mathematics You will study numbers, money, shape, space and measurement in everyday life, enabling you to interpret data and tackle real-life situations.</p>	National 3 or 4	Full Award
<p>Skills for Work: Early Education & Childcare</p> <p>Child Development: You will be introduced to aspects of child development and the key milestones of development for children aged 0–12 years.</p> <p>Working in Early Education and Childcare: You will develop a basic understanding of different types of provision in the early education and childcare sector and to describe how the sector supports children and families.</p> <p>Play in Early Education and Childcare: You will develop a basic understanding of a variety of types of play and how play contributes to the development of the child.</p> <p>Parenting: You will gain an awareness of the personal skills and qualities required to be a parent of children aged 0–12 years.</p> <p>Maintenance of a Safe Environment for Children: You will develop an awareness of current health and safety legislation related to an early education and childcare environment.</p> <p>Care of Children: You will gain a basic understanding of how the needs of children aged 0–12 years can be met. You will be required to plan, demonstrate and review caring skills that meets these needs.</p>	National 4	Full Award
<p>Steps to Work The Award aims to develop self-esteem, self-awareness and self-confidence. Candidates are encouraged to engage in learning by focusing on an area that interests them. Through practical activities, candidates can develop employability skills and self-awareness to help them recognise their own strengths and the contribution they can make to society.</p>	National 4	Full Award
<p>Wellbeing You will explore factors that influence personal wellbeing, and to make decisions that contribute to improving personal wellbeing. You will be encouraged to look at connections between mental, emotional, social and physical health, and to look at different ideas of health and wellbeing at a personal, community, societal or global level.</p>	National 3 or 4	Full Award

What happens next?

You will be referred to EVIP via your current School. You will then have the opportunity to attend an Information Sharing session and then you will be invited to attend a Taster Session at Glasgow Kelvin College, Blairtummock Childcare Centre of Excellence.

Courses start in August and you will transfer from their current school roll to the roll of EVIP. You will attend EVIP 5-days each week and classes run from 9.30am-3.15pm. You will be given an appropriate travel card to allow you to travel independently to and from EVIP/College.

Learning will be delivered in a variety of environments including classrooms, playrooms and IT suites.

All pupils in the class will be supported by an EVIP Officer/Vocational Coach. They will provide pastoral care, guidance and support at all times during the school day. Pupils are not permitted to leave the College Campus after they have arrived in the morning.

What opportunities are there after EVIP?

There are a number of job families within the Social Work and Caring Services career area. This includes Childminder, Early Years Practitioner and Social Worker. These jobs could be full or part time, and can be accessed by further learning at college leading into a Modern Apprenticeship or a job with training.

There are lots of options at College to continue your studies and you can also access opportunities via the Employability Fund.

Young people have access to weekly sessions on Employability and will have regular access to the School Careers Coach from Skills Development Scotland to ensure that they receive the appropriate level of advice and information.