

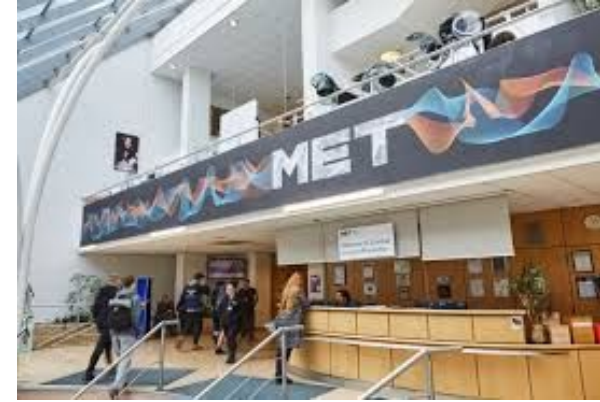
Brighton  
Metropolitan  
College

# MET

**Early Years and Childcare**

**Level 2 and Level 3**

# Courses on offer



- **CACHE Level 2 Diploma for the Early Years Practitioner**
- **CACHE Level 3 Technical Certificate in Childcare and Education**
- **CACHE Level 3 Technical Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator)**

# CACHE Level 2 Diploma for the Early Years Practitioner

- The level 2 course is one academic year.
- Entry requirements: 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or above **OR** level 1 qualification and English Functional Skills at level 1.
- You will attend college for 3 days and placement for 2 days each week.



# CACHE Level 2 Diploma for the Early Years Practitioner

- You will have to resit your Maths and English alongside the course if you do not gain a grade 4 at school.
- Upon completion you can work at an assistant level in a nursery, progress to the level 3 in college or gain an apprenticeship at level 3.
- The qualification is assessed through and observation in your placement.
- There is no exam.



# Level 3 Technical Certificate and Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator)

- The level 3 course is divided into 2 academic years.
- In year 1 you complete the Certificate, in year 2 you complete the Diploma.
- Entry requirements 4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above (or a level 2 qualification). 1 GCSE must be English.
- You will attend college for 3 days and placement for 2 days each week.



# CACHE Level 3 Technical Certificate and Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator)

- You will need to complete both years to gain Early Years Educator Status and be fully qualified to work in a nursery.
- The Diploma will give you the same amount of UCAS points as 3 x A Levels and is accepted in most universities to study relevant subjects such as Primary Teaching.
- If you already have A Levels and want to go to university, you can “top up” your UCAS points with the year 1 Certificate.



## Subjects you will study on an Early Years course:

- The role of the practitioner
- Child development
- Play and learning
- Planning activities
- Child health
- Additional needs
- Keeping children safe
- Safeguarding
- Partnership working
- School readiness
- Theoretical perspectives



# Placement

- Placement is fun, it is a chance to practice what you learn in class
- Placement allows you to gain the skills that will make you work ready when you complete the course
- You will be expected to attend placement on agreed days, to look smart and to work with the staff
- Many of you will form good relationships with the children and the staff





# Placement

- The college will try and place you in a setting near where you live but cannot guarantee this
- You can suggest a placement that you would like to attend and we will try and place you there if it is suitable and they can take you

## **Level 2 and Level 3 will do placements will be at:**

- Nurseries in age groups: 0 to 1 year, 1 to 2 years, 3 to 5 years

## **Level 3 will also do placements at:**

- Schools - reception, year one
- And in year two you may be able to do placement at :
- Special needs schools or family centre

## Placement: uniform

- You will need to purchase a college T-shirt for placement
- This makes sure you look professional
- This identifies you as student and the college you are from
- This protects your own clothes
- The cost is £9.99
- You will be sent a link to order direct



## Placement and DBS



- To attend placement you need an up-to-date **DBS** certificate
- You will need to bring in 3 forms of original ID this includes:
  - Birth certificate or passport or driving licence (includes provisional)
  - National Insurance number
  - Proof of your current address (e.g. current bank statement) and full addresses for the last 5 years
- You will need to complete and sign the DBS application form
- When your DBS has been sent off and cleared it will be sent to you at your home address - you will need to bring this in so the details can be recorded
- You need to keep the original DBS certificate in a safe place each placement can ask to see the original certificate.

## Getting to the Campus

- A shuttle bus operates between the Pelham Campus (London Road) and the East campus
- This is free for students when they show their student badge



# Enrolment

- You will be sent details on where to enrol, and what you need for enrolment
- You will also be sent details for the paperwork required for DBS and a link to order a t-shirt
- On enrolment day you will have your photo taken for your badge - you may want to look smart and not be taken by surprise!



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**If you have any questions or queries, please email us:**

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