

Some questions to consider

- Are you enthusiastic, confident, creative, adaptable, nurturing, motivated and show good initiative?
- Do you enjoy being with children and making a positive difference to their lives?
- Are you committed to your own life long learning?
- Do you have good interpersonal, communication and literacy skills?
- Do you enjoy a challenge?
- Are you an advocate for the rights of children?

If you answered 'yes' to these questions then a career in Education and Care may be a good choice for you.

Where can I go for more information?

Email: ecatas@earlychildhood.org.au

Apply for your Safety Screening approval:
www.education.tas.gov.au/documentcentre/Documents/Child-Care-Safety-Screening-Form.pdf

or visit

www.myskills.gov.au

www.acecqa.gov.au

www.earlychildhoodaustralia.org.au

education.gov.au/early-years-learning-framework

education.gov.au/national-quality-framework-early-childhood-education-and-care

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Career Guide

EDUCATION & CARE SERVICES



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Education and Care is a challenging and rewarding career. It welcomes educators of all ages and from diverse backgrounds.

As an educator your role would include:

- Communicating with families
- Preparing play and learning materials and setting up environments for children to explore
- Planning and implementing learning programs based on observation of individual and groups of children
- Supporting children with additional needs to participate in the program
- Supervising and engaging in children's play, ensuring their physical safety at all times
- Helping children with daily routines such as toileting, dressing, eating and sleeping
- Promoting children's social and emotional development and guiding their behaviour
- Performing basic first aid in emergencies
- Preparing meals and snacks
- Working as part of a team
- Understanding and working within the National Quality Framework (NQF) including the Early Years Learning Framework and the My Time Our Place Framework for School Aged Care



As an educational leader your role may also include:

- Leading the development and implementation of the curriculum
- Mentoring and leading educators
- Completing risk assessments

As an educator you could work in a number of settings, including:

- Centre Based Long Day Care
- Outside Schools Hours Care (OSHC) or
- Family Day Care

You will be offered opportunities to undertake study and could work in a variety of roles as your career develops.

| Qualification Pathway | Career Pathway |
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| <p>Certificate II subjects in Community Services</p> <p>Some Children's Services subjects are offered in Community Services and you may choose to study these if you are in year 11 or 12. Completing them might help you to find a traineeship.</p> | Educator |
| <p>Certificate III of Early Childhood Education & Care</p> <p>This is the minimum level required to work in the ECEC sector. It can be undertaken as a trainee whilst working in a service or as independent study through a registered training organisation.</p> | Educator |
| <p>Certificate IV of School Age Education & Care</p> <p>Undertaken through a registered training organisation and might be sponsored by your employer.</p> | OSHC Co-ordinator |
| <p>Diploma in Early Childhood Education & Care</p> <p>Undertaken through a registered training organisation and might be sponsored by your employer.</p> | Room Leader Assistant Director Educational Leader Director |
| <p>Degree in Early Childhood Education</p> <p>Degree available through a number of Australian universities.</p> | Area Manager Family Day care Field Worker Inclusion Support Facilitator Education & Care Consultant ECE teacher Trainer with an RTO |