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We focus on your needs and aspirations to make sure that methods and levels of study are best suited to you, as well as working with you to boost your confidence and underpinning skills for work and life.

As well as your core programme of study with us, you'll gain a number of skills, including English and maths, as well as digital skills to give you a competitive edge as you progress into work or further training.

All Northumberland Skills learners gain access to:

- A more hands on way of learning to give you practical skills and knowledge
- Qualifications that are recognised worldwide
- Excellent pastoral and academic support from our dedicated staff
- Progression to further or higher education, or employment
- A learning environment to help you reach your true potential
- Skills and experience to give you the best start to progress to your future career

English and maths

If you have not yet achieved a grade 4 or above, you'll also work towards a GCSE or Functional Skills qualification as part of your course. If you have a grade 3 in GCSE English and/or maths, you will continue to develop your skills through GCSE sessions. If you have lower than a grade 3 in GCSE English and/or maths, you will study Functional Skills then progress to GCSE.

Study skills and tutorial with experience of work and work experience

Tutorial and study skills will complement your accredited course and provide wrap around support. This includes topics such as:

- Employability skills
- Finances
- Interview skills
- The world of work

Pastoral support will assist you to develop the skills needed for independent study and help with completion of coursework. One-to-one support is also available to offer individual support on an ongoing basis.

Leadership and enterprise skills alongside health, wellbeing, and confidence, ensure that your professional and personal development are prioritised alongside your studies. Experience of work and work experience relating to your vocational area is a vital component to boost knowledge and transferable skills.

Study Programme Information

All learners will study:

- A vocational qualification
- English & maths (if not already achieved)
- Study skills
- Tutorial
- Experience of work/Work experience
- Enrichment activities



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Childcare (Level 2)

Study programme information

KEY FACTS

Qualification title and level:	Early Years Practitioner (Level 2)
Awarding organisation:	NCFE
Duration:	36 weeks (full-time)
Study location(s):	Alnwick / Berwick / Prudhoe

Who is this course for and what will I gain?

This course is designed to be your first step into a successful career in the education and childcare industry. You will cover a diverse range of job roles and responsibilities involved in an Early Years setting and is the perfect choice for anyone aged 16-18 years who is interested in a career in childcare or schools.

What units will I study?

The skills, knowledge and experience you gain will give you the best start to progress to further/higher education or employment. Your qualification will be recognised worldwide. There are a number of different topics that you will cover throughout the course, such as:

- Child development
- Safeguarding the welfare of children and young people
- Maintaining and supporting relationships with children and young people

How and where will I study?

Classroom delivery at Alnwick / Berwick / Prudhoe campuses.

What are the entry requirements?

You will need four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, or you will need to study Functional Skills, then progress to GSCE.

How will I be assessed?

Your progress through the course will be assessed by your tutor or assessor using a range of methods. This could include direct observation in the workplace, a portfolio of evidence, written assignments or a task.

Progression and careers:

From this course you can progress on to the Level 3 Early Years Educator course to further develop your skills and knowledge.

The objectives of this qualification are to allow you to apply knowledge, understanding and skills to a level recognised by employers. This proves competency in an early year setting as an Early Years Practitioner.

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