

Diploma in Supporting Teaching & Learning

NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma

If you are looking for a rewarding career, then training to become a Teaching Assistant is exciting, fulfilling and provides the unique opportunity to help support and inspire young children at the very start of their educational career.

By combining practical experience with theoretical learning to encourage both understanding and the development of professional skills, this course supports the current Government initiative to develop the role of school support staff.

Placement experience can be gained within primary, secondary or sixth form settings and maybe in a voluntary or contractually employed capacity.

Course duration: 35 weeks (part-time)

Price: TBC

What will I learn?

The course is delivered through a mixture of College based classes, workshops and practical experience in the work setting; you will be required to undertake a minimum of 100 hours work placement in a school or an early years setting. In addition to College based study, it is expected that you will undertake independent research and directed study.

Units of study include:

- Schools and colleges as organisations
- Support health and safety in a learning environment
- Understand how to safeguard children and young people
- Develop professional relationships with children, young people and adults
- Understand how children and young people develop
- Support positive behaviour in children and young people
- Support children and young people during learning activities
- Support English and maths skills
- Support the use of ICT in the learning environment
- Support assessment for learning
- Engage in personal and professional development
- Support children and young people's speech, language and communication
- Understand how to support bilingual learners
- Understand how to support learning of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities
- Support children and young people during transitions
- Support the role of play, leisure and extra-curricular activities for children and young people

How will I be assessed?

The course is assessed by a portfolio containing holistic evidence of your practice (including tutor observations and reflective accounts of placement experience), as well as case studies, class based tasks and assignments, timed assessments and an extended essay.

What are the entry requirements?

You should have GCSE Grade A*-C/Grade 9-4 in Mathematics and English, or an equivalent qualification.

Although not a requirement for this course, GCSE English and maths at grade A*-C/9-4 may be a requirement for progression to some careers and Higher Education Programmes.

This course is a progression route for those who have passed an appropriate Level 2 Teaching Assistant qualification (or equivalent, eg Child Care Learning & Development Level 2) or have had substantial experience in assisting pupils in learning environments, undertaking assessments, supporting behaviour management etc.

You will also be required to undertake a minimum of 100 hours work placement in a school or college setting. You should arrange this placement yourself prior to the start of the course.

You will also be required to attend an interview with a member of our admissions team.

What progression is there?

On successful completion of this course you will be awarded the NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Supporting Teaching & Learning. You may then wish to progress to a higher level Teaching Assistant course, a Teacher Training qualification or seek relevant employment in schools, early years' settings or SEN schools.

DBS (Disclosure & Barring Service) Check

You must be prepared to comply with the vetting procedures for those working with children and young people as required by current legislation (ie undertake an Enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service check). A charge of £50* for processing DBS applications will be made; this fee is included in the course fees. *Price correct at May 2021.



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What's your #future?

Money Matters

You may be eligible to apply for an Advanced Learner Loan to cover the cost of the course fees.

To find out more about financial support available to you please contact Student Services on 01772 643020 or visit the 'Money Matters' page on our website www.runshaw.ac.uk

Where will I study?

Evening classes will typically be held at Runshaw College, Leyland Campus, Langdale Road, Leyland, PR25 3DQ.

How do I find out more and apply?

For more information about the course and how to apply contact the Adult Admissions Office by emailing justask@runshaw.ac.uk or call 01772 642040.

Anything Else?

This information is correct at time of printing but may be subject to amendment and we reserve the right to cancel courses.

Outstanding support and guidance

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