

# EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDIES



Early Childhood Studies focuses on learning about children aged from birth to five years, and encourages students to be advocates for the wellbeing of children by appreciating the significance of these interactions in order to help children develop into confident, independent and caring adults.

Early Childhood Studies draws upon the Early Years Learning Framework for Australia.

The course of study involves learning about core concepts and ideas related to the fundamentals of early childhood, and practices in early childhood learning. Core topics are embedded in electives that influence the development of children, such as play and creativity, literacy and numeracy skills, being in a safe place, health and physical wellbeing, and indoor and outdoor learning environments. Throughout the course of study, students make decisions and solve problems, and work individually and with others. Throughout the course of study, students make decisions, solve problems, work individually and as part of small teams.

Students examine the interrelatedness of core concepts and ideas of the fundamentals and practices of early childhood learning.

Students are able to implement concepts learnt during class into our fortnightly visits to our Early Years Learning Centre on Junior Campus. Students prepare age appropriate activities that connect to the Early Years Framework for Australia.

This enables students to develop their understanding of the multifaceted, diverse and significant nature of early childhood learning.

## Career Opportunities:

Early Childhood Studies can establish a basis for further education and employment in:

- Health
- Community Services
- Education
- Early Childhood Educators
- Teacher's Aide
- Assistants in early childhood settings, childcare facilities, kindergartens and early learning centres.

