BACHELOR OF
EARLY CHILDHOOD
EDUCATION & CARE
(BIRTH-5)
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

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BE AMBITIOUS

TAFE NSW - NIRIMBA
WHY STUDY WITH US

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- **SMALL CLASS SIZES**
- Extensive tutorial support embedded in the program
- **HIGH FOCUS ON FACE-TO-FACE STUDY APPROACH**
- **INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR 4TH YEAR STUDENTS**
- **WORK PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**
- **FULL-TIME DAY & EVENING STUDY OPTIONS**
- **FLEXIBILITY BETWEEN VET AND HIGHER EDUCATION QUALIFICATIONS**

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ABOUT THIS COURSE

BACHELOR OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE (Birth–5)
Course No: 20510 | CRICOS code: 075653J

Description
The Bachelor of Early Childhood Education and Care was developed to meet significant growth in the early childhood education sector. The program draws heavily on TAFE NSW’s strong focus on work-based learning that meets the current and emerging needs of preschools and childcare services across Australia.

Offering practical early childhood education and care skills, theoretical knowledge and work experience, the Bachelor of Early Childhood Education and Care (Birth–5) is designed to develop early childhood teachers so that they can integrate theoretical knowledge with practical education and care skills in the workplace.

After graduation, you will be ready to work in a variety of settings including long day care, preschool, integrated child and family services and early intervention services. The practical core units are supplemented by extensive work experience which will allow you to apply what you’ve learned in a real world environment.

Study Duration
- 4 years (3 years face-to-face + 1 year internship)
- Full-time (3 days per week)
- Block work placement will be 5 days per week for 2-4 weeks per semester

Fee
$6,000 per semester (total $48,000)

Study Location
TAFE NSW - Nirimba
COURSE STRUCTURE OVERVIEW

TAFE NSW - Nirimba College at Quakers Hill is offering a four year Bachelor of Early Childhood Education and Care (Birth-5) with an option of adding a Master of Teaching (Birth -12) with Western Sydney University (WSU) over 3 trimesters in 12 months. All delivery will be at the Nirimba Education Hub.

Learning will be supported by field visits, guest lecturers and learning excursions to increase your engagement with real contexts and find your own particular niche within a diverse professional field.

Our students have guaranteed entry into the WSU Master degree program enabling them to achieve two degrees in five years and be qualified to teach in both early childhood and primary school.

APPLICATION

Entry requirement

- **Academic**: The completion of Year 12 or equivalent
- **English**: Academic IELTS 6.5 (no band lower than 6.0) or TOEFL (iBT) 79 or PTE 58 or Certificate IV in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) at TAFE NSW or equivalent.

**FOR students with a Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care (or equivalent)**

Students who currently hold a Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care (or equivalent) can complete a bridging course and enter the degree in second year stage 2. To complete, this pathway will take 2.5 years full time day study.

**FOR students with HSC (or equivalent)**

- Students with HSC and Band 4 in any 2 Unit English can enter directly into first year of the degree.
- Students not achieving Band 4 in any 2 Unit English will need to fulfil the language requirement listed in the Entry requirement section for the direct first year entry.
- Students with HSC who do not have Band 4 in English and do not meet the language requirement listed in the Entry requirement section can apply the Diploma to Degree pathway program.

HOW TO APPLY

Download and fill in the TAFE NSW International Student Application Form and follow the steps to apply

[link](https://www.tafensw.edu.au/international-students/how-to-apply)
OUTCOMES

Direct Employment outcomes
1. Working as a Teacher or Director in a long day care service
2. Working as a Teacher or Director in a pre-school
3. Working for agencies supporting children at risk
4. Working for agencies offering early intervention services for children with additional needs
5. Working for agencies offering programs for gifted and talented children
6. Working for health organisations offering play therapy for ill children

Future employment outcomes with ongoing study
7. Working as a primary school teacher (after completing the 12 month WSU Master of Teaching)
8. Teaching with vocational education providers on relevant diploma and below qualifications (after completion of a Certificate IV in Training and Assessment and two years post graduate field experience)
9. Teaching with Higher Education providers on early childhood degrees (after completion of a Masters or post graduate Diploma qualification and two years post graduate field experience)
10. Teaching at Universities and higher education providers on Bachelor and above early childhood qualifications (after completion of a PhD)

Continue on to do a Master of Teaching Degree (Birth-5 years/Birth-12 years) at WSU

Completing your Master Degree at Western Sydney University builds on the career opportunities in the early childhood field gained during your TAFE degree studies, and ultimately enables you to teach from birth through to 12 years of age.

With this Western Sydney University pathway you receive 100 credit points (10 units) of advanced standing towards your Masters, leaving you with 10 masters units to complete.

In addition to the 10 units of study for your postgraduate program, this pathway allows you to complete 4 additional discipline units, enabling you to meet the AITSL and BOSTES requirements for primary teaching. These 4 additional units can be completed at any stage during your Masters.
# COURSE STRUCTURE DETAILS

## Level 100 Foundational Education and Care Skills

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<td>ECSFS102A Sustainability in Early Childhood</td>
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<td>ECTPP102A Play and Documentation</td>
<td>ECCDD101A Health and Physical Wellbeing</td>
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<td>ECCWC101A Health, Safety and Wellbeing</td>
<td>ECCDD102A Creativity in the Early Years</td>
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<td>ECSFC101A Professional, Cultural and Academic Practice</td>
<td>ECCDD103A Children's Self Identity and family contexts</td>
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<td>ECPPL101A Professional experience 1 (Birth-2 years)</td>
<td>ECPPL102A Professional experience 2 (2-3 years)</td>
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## Level 200 Developing Education and Care Skills

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<td>ECTPP 201A Documentation, Planning and Assessment 1: Theory and Practice</td>
<td>ECTPP 202A Documentation, Planning and Assessment 2: Philosophy and Curriculum Development</td>
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<td>ECCDD202A Communication, Language and Literacy</td>
<td>ECCWC201A Exceptional Children: Early Intervention</td>
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<td>ECCDD201A Mathematics Education</td>
<td>ECTPP203A Brain Development and Cognitive Learning</td>
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<td>ECSFC201A Diverse Australia: Equity and Diversity</td>
<td>ECPPL203A Manage an Education and Care Service</td>
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<td>ECPPL201A Professional Experience 3 (Birth-3 years)</td>
<td>ECPPL202A Professional Experience 4 (Birth-3 years)</td>
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## Level 300: Synthesis of Education and Care Skills

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<td>ECTPP302A Reflective and Professional Practice</td>
<td>ECTPP301A Educational Psychology and Pedagogical Practice</td>
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<td>ECCDD301A Visual and Media Arts</td>
<td>ECCDD303A Music, Movement and Drama</td>
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<td>ECCWC302A Inclusive Practice and Principles in Early Childhood</td>
<td>ECCDD302A Science and Technology</td>
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<td>ECSFC301A Working with Families and Community Partnerships</td>
<td>ECCWC301A Gifted Education</td>
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<td>ECPPL301A Professional Experience 5 (Community engagement)</td>
<td>ECPPL302A Professional Experience 6 (3-5 years)</td>
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## Level 400: Consolidating Education and Care Skills

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<td>ECCDD401A Multimodal Media and Digital Technology</td>
<td>ECTPP401A Developing Early Childhood Curriculum</td>
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<td>ECCWC401A Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education</td>
<td>ECTPP402A Philosophies, Ideologies and Theories of Education</td>
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<td>ECPPL405A Leadership and Management in Early Childhood</td>
<td>ECSFC401A Advocacy, Social Justice and Professional Ethics</td>
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<td>ECPPL401A Professional Experience 7 (Early childhood leadership)</td>
<td>ECPPL402A Professional Experience 8 (Early childhood leadership)</td>
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5 REASONS TO CHOOSE TAFE

1. Be career-ready when you graduate
2. Connect with employers in your profession
3. Outstanding career opportunities
4. Eligible to apply for a Temporary Graduate Visa after the course completion
5. Full time internship in the 4th year of your studies

TAKE THE NEXT STEP AND ENROL TODAY

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