

Understanding child development can enable students to have realistic expectations of young children, recognize that each child is unique and strengthen relationships with siblings and other children they know.

Learn to observe, record, plan, evaluate

This qualification provides opportunities to develop learners' understanding of spiritual, moral, ethical, social, legislative, economic and cultural issues. Cultivate supportive relationships

This qualification is for learners aged 14-16 who wish to develop applied knowledge and practical skills in child development. It is designed with both **practical** and **theoretical** elements, which will prepare students for further qualifications in Child Care, Health and Social Care, Psychology, Sociology and Biology.

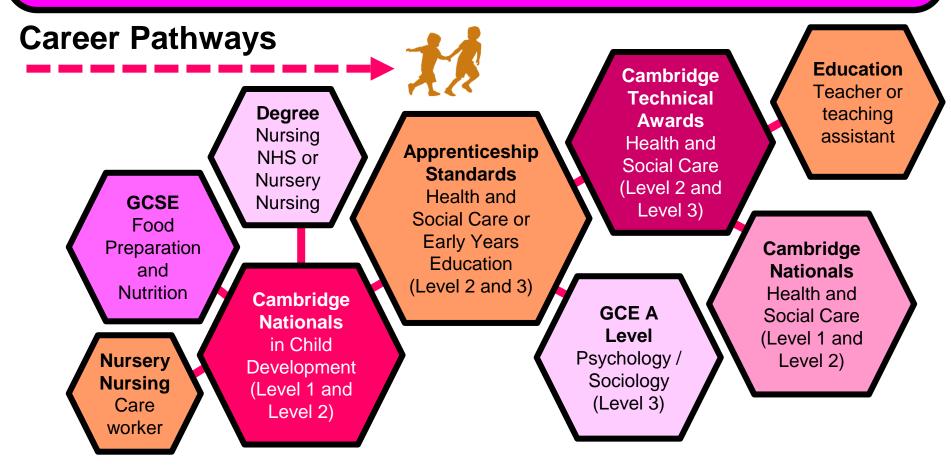
Make healthier choices, plan for future needs

Learning more about how children develop and grow can provide additional insight into how you have become the person you are and the person you want to become in the future.

> Knowledge gained would be of use for further studies in Biology

The qualification is complemented by a wide range of GCSEs including Biology, Sociology, Psychology, Maths and English. It also complements creative subjects such as Art and Design and can be delivered alongside other vocational courses including ICT and Media.

Grade Comparison	Cambridge National Grade	GCSE Equivalent
<section-header></section-header>	Level 2 Distinction*	7-8
	Level 2 Distinction	6-7
	Level 2 Merit	5-6
	Level 2 Pass	4-5
	Level 1 Distinction	3-4
	Level 1 Merit	2-3
	Level 1 Pass	1-2



Careers

Child Life Specialist School Psychologist NURSE Social Worker Marriage & Family Therapist DEVELOPMENTAL THERAPIST Early Childhood Educator Guidance Counselor CHILD CARE MANAGER PEDIATRICIAN Occupational Therapist Personnel Director Child Advocate COLLEGE PROFESSOR Family Attorney Child Psychologist Adoption Specialist Family Policy Specialist Youth Programs Director

#### **Real-life story – Katie Ryan**

Katie always knew she wanted to work with children, and volunteering with St John's Ambulance steered her towards nursing

instead of teaching.



Katie Ryan Practice Educator Employer: Great Ormond Street Hospital NHS Trust, London Salary range: £30K - £40K



# **Former Student Voice**

I like childcare because I find it interesting and we learn in a fun and respectful environment where everyone can have their say and ask questions. I took it because I thought it would be interesting and I was thinking about going into childcare for a job. The thing I have enjoyed most is watching interesting documentaries on all different types of topics which really helps me learn key words/topics better. I am going to continue with a childcare course in college because I am interested in becoming a private nanny in the future. I also like the idea of doing 2 days work experience on the college course. Lana (year 11)

I took childcare because I wanted a career in midwifery and knew it would help. What I have enjoyed most about this course is the fact that we discuss different factors relating to real life situations, so the group discussions are the best. The information that we learn through this course is so useful to real life and you wouldn't really learn it anywhere else, it makes me feel as if I have had an advantage in life.

In college I have applied to study biology and a nursing and midwifery enrichment course (along with other courses), because after college I would like to take a midwifery course in Worcester and eventually become a midwife. Q (year 11)

## Its your choice

