**Cardiff School of Education and Social Policy**

**Key Information:**

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| **Programme title: BA (Hons) Early Childhood Studies with Early Years Practitioner Status (EYPS)** (Level 5 and 6 only as the programme is being replaced from September 2020) | |
| 1. **Content of course:** | The programme aims to give students an understanding of theories and contexts related to early childhood. Students will consider theory in relation to the implications for their own professional practice, allowing them to evaluate and develop appropriate pedagogical approaches to work with babies, young children, families and the community. There is a strong emphasis on the professional development aspect of the programme through placement opportunities which will further enhance employability opportunities. The programme is also underpinned by the Social Care Wales [National Occupational Standards for Social Care, Early Years and Childcare](https://socialcare.wales/learning-and-development/national-occupational-standards-nos). |
| 1. **Length of course:** | The BA (Hons) Early Childhood Studies with Early Years Practitioner Status (EYPS) is a three year, full time Programme. |
| 1. **How the course will be delivered:** | The Programme will be delivered in a way that integrates remote learning activity alongside some campus delivery, directed study and self-directed study each week. Each level will be delivered primarily in a block structure that also embeds practice-based learning, 270 hours will have already been completed in Year 1, leaving 240 hours in Year 2 and 190 hours in Year 3, still to be completed within the academic year. |
| 1. **Cost of course:** | Fees are £9000 per academic year. Students will have the option to acquire additional qualifications e.g. Forest School which will incur an additional cost. Such costs vary each year. |
| 1. **How the course will be assessed:** | The course is assessed via a number of methods that include essays, reflective reports, presentations, portfolios and a dissertation. Students are also assessed by a Placement Mentor and University Tutor whilst undertaking practice-based learning each year. The successful completion of all assessed work is a requirement of progression to the next level. |
| 1. **Award:** | BA (Hons) Early Childhood Studies with Early Years Practitioner Status (EYPS) |
| 1. **Possible locations:** | The university-based element of the programme will be delivered on the Cyncoed Campus. Placements will take place in a range of settings mainly in the south east area of Wales. |
| 1. **Complaints:** | Cardiff Metropolitan University is committed to providing high quality services and facilities for students, staff and the general public. Integral to this is monitoring and evaluating those services to enhance quality and to ensure specified standards are met.  We have in place a variety of mechanisms to ensure that students, staff and public have the opportunity to participate fully in the development and improvement of services and it is expected that all parties will take full advantage of these in making their views known.  We recognise that there may be occasions when feedback mechanisms are not sufficient to deal with problems. It is for this reason that a Complaints Procedure has been established. The Complaints Procedure should be used when informal attempts to resolve the matter within the School or Unit have not resolved the issue.  Procedural advice is available from the Complaints Officer who can be contacted on email at complaints@cardiffmet.ac.uk, and independent support and advice on submitting a complaint is also available to students from Cardiff Met Students Union.http://www.cardiffmet.ac.uk/registry/Pages/Complaints.aspx |