

Child Studies

Child Studies is a Content Endorsed Course

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Aim: Child Studies aims to develop in students the knowledge, understanding and skills to positively influence the wellbeing and development of children in the critical early years in a range of settings and contexts.

Objectives

Students will develop:

- knowledge and understanding of child development from preconception through to and including the early years
- knowledge, understanding and skills required to positively influence the growth, development and wellbeing of children
- knowledge and understanding of external factors that support the growth, development and wellbeing of children
- skills in researching, communicating and evaluating issues related to child development.
 - *Students will value and appreciate:*
- the role positive parenting and caring has on a child's sense of belonging and their health and wellbeing
- the positive impact that significant others play in the growth and development of children

Modules:

The content is organised into the following modules:

- Preparing for parenthood
- Conception to birth
- Family interactions
- Newborn care
- Growth and development
- Play and the developing child
- Health and safety in childhood
- Food and nutrition in childhood
- Children and culture
- Media and technology in childhood
- Aboriginal cultures and childhood
- The diverse needs of children
- Childcare services and career opportunities.

Subject Assessment:

In Years 9 and 10 include classwork, research activities, literacy tasks and tests together with teacher appraisal of the individual student's demonstrated performance as indicated by the course performance descriptors issued by the NESA (NSW Education Standards Authority).

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