Apprentice title | Apprentice Early Years Practitioner
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College/Budget Centre | HAS
School/Department | University of Birmingham Nursery
Duration of the apprenticeship | 12 Months and 1 day
Contact details for any enquires | C.Wright.2@bham.ac.uk
Closing Date | 12th July 2017
Start Date | 4th September 2017
Hours per week | Monday – Friday – 36 hours – 7.30 am – 6pm
Base | One position by Edgbaston Campus
| One position by Selly Oak Campus

**Apprenticeship summary**

This apprenticeship is designed to support the development of outstanding child care professionals.

The University of Birmingham Day Nurseries offer high quality childcare, enabling parents to know that their child is within a safe and happy learning environment. We believe that every child deserves the best possible start in life and the support to fulfil their potential.

This apprenticeship will provide you with the skills and experience to progress into an early years practitioner role.

**Main duties**

**The apprentice will learn the following duties:**

- Assisting with the delivery of exciting and appropriate play and opportunities for children aged 0-5 years;
- Ensuring a safe, caring and stimulating family based environment;
- Early Years policies and procedures;
- Communication skills with children aged 0-5;
- Keeping accurate written records;
- Communicating with parents, carers and other professionals;
- Safeguarding and health and safety awareness;
- An understanding of how our services are regulated;
- Developing activities and completing project work that will support the apprenticeship qualification.
This apprenticeship would suit:

This is an exciting opportunity for someone who is passionate about developing a career in childcare.

The role will require someone who can act with integrity, honesty and who is keen to develop the knowledge and skills that will make you an outstanding practitioner.

You will enjoy working with children and will be keen to learn as much as possible from this experience.

Required Knowledge, Skills, Qualifications, Experience

- For the Advanced Apprenticeship (Level 3). GCSE Mathematics and English Language at Grade GCSE A-C
- A genuine interest and commitment to support and promote the care, learning and development of children from birth to 5 years
- Good communication skills - written and verbal
- Ability to work as part of a team
- A commitment to learn and work to high standards and agreed timelines
- Ability to build positive professional relationships with parents/carers and others who support families and young children
- The ability to learn how to work independently on own initiative, and co-operatively within a team environment.
- An awareness of the Health and Safety and safeguarding.

Personal Qualities

- Honesty
- Excellence
- Accountability
- Respect
- Team work
- Caring
- Patience/kindness
- Reliability
- Motivated and positive attitude

Career Pathway

Upon completion this apprenticeship should lead to a position working with young children. This apprenticeship is designed to develop the knowledge and skills that will enable you to become an excellent Early Years Practitioner.

Once you are fully qualified to Level 3 standard we will assess the nursery needs. They will have the opportunity to apply for a permanent position if we have vacancies.