

Early Years Initial Teacher Training (EYITT)

Graduate Employment Based Route



A highly skilled workforce is seen as critical in supporting high quality early years provision. To be awarded Early Years Teacher Status (EYTS), trainees must meet robust standards designed specifically for high quality education and care of babies and young children. This makes Early Years Teachers ideally placed to fulfil the needs of employers for outstanding work with this age group. EYTS is awarded by the National College for Teaching and Leadership on behalf of the Department for Education.

We offer the Graduate Employment based route which is for existing graduates in an early years setting who require further training and further experience to demonstrate the Early Years Teacher standards; or a graduate newly recruited to an early years setting to undertake the course.

Key Features of the Graduate Employment Based Route:

- fully funded by the National College for Teaching and Leadership, so no course fees to pay
- £7,000 employer incentive available to cover release and other costs
- completed September-June, whilst employed in an early years setting/school
- 6 week placement in an alternative early years setting
- 2 week placement within Key Stage 1 (5-7 year olds)
- 15 University training days spread over the duration of the course
- University Link Tutor to visit you in your early years setting/school
- dedicated Mentor from within your early years setting/school
- working timetable should be no more than 90% of the full time working hours of an Early Years Teacher

Entry Requirements - all applicants:

- must work in an eligible early years setting which fully supports the application and acknowledges the important role that they will play in the training process as the employer
- must have a GCSE or recognised equivalent in Science, Maths and English at Grade C or above
- must hold a degree equivalent to UK standards at the start of the programme. Those holding international degrees may be required to provide a UK NARIC Statement of Comparability
- will undergo a selection process and be required to attend an interview
- will have passed Professional Skills Tests in Maths and English prior to entry
- must provide confirmation that appropriate suitability checks (including DBS) have been undertaken by their setting prior to starting the programme.

To register your interest for the 2017/18 course, or for further details, please email EYTS@chi.ac.uk or tel. 01243 812011.