

## Early Years Initial Teacher Training (EYITT)



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 (GEB) and Assessment Only (AO) routes to Early Years Teacher Status**. GEB is fully funded and includes a £7,000 employer incentive to cover release and other costs. If you are an experienced practitioner you may prefer the self-funded (£2, 600), three month AO route.

### The University of Chichester's EYITT Mission Statement

*To empower trainees, through the development of knowledge, understanding and critical reflection, to become change agents who work effectively with setting communities and beyond to enhance children's daily experiences. Subsequently, they enable children to make good progress and improve social and academic outcomes in the short and long term.*

The trainee voice *"Undertaking the EYITT has allowed me to consider my practice and has strengthened my passion for Early Years. I feel more confident as a practitioner and a leader"*.

The employer voice *"The communication (from the University) is excellent and I know there is always someone to talk to but it is never long between visits and training days so there are plenty of opportunities to ask questions and seek any guidance if necessary"*.

### Entry Requirements:

- employment in an eligible early years setting which fully supports the application
- GCSE or recognised equivalent in Science, Maths and English at Grade C or above
- a degree equivalent to UK standards at the start of the programme.
- passed Professional Skills Tests in Maths and English prior to entry
- Confirmation that appropriate suitability checks (including DBS) have been undertaken by their setting.

To register your interest for the 2018/19 course, or for further details, please email [EYTS@chi.ac.uk](mailto:EYTS@chi.ac.uk) or tel. 01243 812011.