# Caring Professions

## Pearson BTEC Level 4 HN Flex Unit 3: Play and Learning in Early Childhood

**Campus:** North Notts College - Bridge Skills Hub
**Code:** W09HE05
**Type:** Part Time

### About This Course

This 15-credit Level 4 HN Flex unit develops the knowledge and practice needed to safeguard children and maintain safe early education and care environments.

### What Will I Study?

You will interpret theories of play, compare play in different early years contexts, examine the role of observation, and complete and interpret observations of children's self-chosen play.

### Why Study Here?

Strengthen practical observation and planning skills while applying established and contemporary play theory to real early years practice.

### Entry Requirements

Applicants normally need a relevant Level 3 qualification, Access to HE Diploma, A Levels, or appropriate industry experience. Entry and prior technical knowledge are discussed at interview.

### How To Apply

## What Courses Can I Progress Onto?

Successful completion provides 15 Level 4 credits and a Pearson Certificate of Unit Credit. The learning supports progression to further HN Flex units or a relevant Higher National qualification through recognition of prior learning or top-up, subject to Pearson rules and college approval.

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