Early Childhood Development Practitioner Qualification

Your Path to Supporting Children Aged 0-5

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Overview of ECDP Qualification

This comprehensive qualification is thoughtfully structured to transform you into a competent **Early Childhood Development Practitioner**.

It comprises:

7 Knowledge Modules providing theoretical foundations,

6 Practical Modules developing hands-on teaching skills, and

4 Workplace Modules offering real-world experience.

Each component is purposefully designed to equip you with the expertise needed to nurture and support the holistic development of children from birth through five years old—the most critical period of human development.

KNOWLEDGE FOUNDATION

The 7 Knowledge Modules: Foundations of ECD Practice

These modules provide the essential theoretical knowledge underpinning professional early childhood practice:

Introduction to Early Childhood Development

Understand physical, cognitive, emotional, and social growth stages from 0-5 years

Theories and Perspectives Of Childhood Development

Planning & Programme Development in Early Childhood Settings

Facilitation & Mediation of Active Learning

Observation & Assessment in Early Childhood DEVELOPMENT

Promotion of Health , Safety & well-being of Children

Administration for Early Childhood Development Services & Programmes

PRACTICAL SKILLS

Practical Modules: Applying What You Learn

These six modules transform theoretical knowledge into practical teaching competencies:

01

Plan and prepare activities and routines using an approved programme based on the National Curriculum Framework

MODULE 1

02

ADMINISTRATION FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AND PROGRAMMES

MODULE 2

03

OBSERVE, ASSESS, RECORD AND REPORT EACH CHILD'S PROGRESS ACCORDING TO THE AGE AND STAGE

MODULE 3

04

SUPPORT AND PROMOTE THE HEALTH, NUTRITION, SAFETY, PROTECTION AND WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN

MODULE 4

05

BUILD AND MAINTAIN COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PARENTS AND OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS

MODULE 5

06

SUPPORT AND PROMOTE THE HEALTH, NUTRITION, SAFETY, PROTECTION AND WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN

MODULE 6

REAL-WORLD APPLICATION

Workplace Modules: Real-World Experience

Workplace Orientation

Learning programme and routines planning and preparation

PROCESSES OF FACILITATING AND MEDIATING THE LEARNING PROGRAMME IN A VARIETY OF CONTEXTS

PROCESSES OF OBSERVATION, ASSESSMENT, RECORDING AND REPORTING ON CHILDREN'S LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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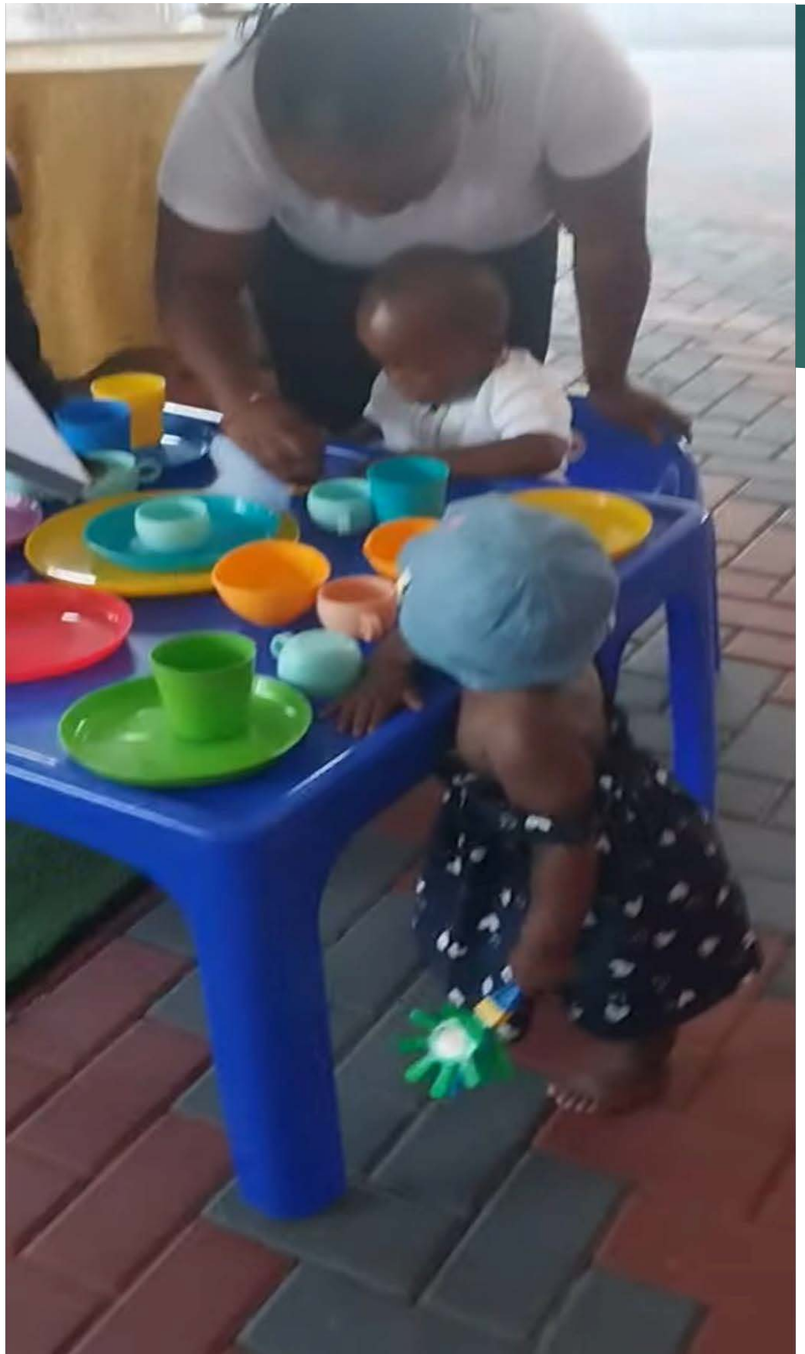

Why These Modules Matter to You

Each component of this qualification serves a distinct purpose in preparing you for professional ECD practice.

Knowledge Modules

Build your foundational understanding of child development theories, care principles, and pedagogical approaches

Practical Modules

Develop your hands-on teaching skills to engage, support, and facilitate learning for young children effectively

Workplace Modules

Prepare you for the day-to-day realities, challenges, and collaborative relationships within early childhood settings

> Together, these integrated modules ensure you emerge as a confident, competent practitioner ready to make a meaningful difference in children's lives.

YOUR PROFESSIONAL TOOLKIT

Key Skills You Will Gain

Throughout this qualification, you'll develop a comprehensive set of professional competencies essential for effective ECD practice:

Developmental Observation & Assessment

Learn to observe and accurately assess children's development across all domains using appropriate tools and techniques

- ### Activity Design & Implementation

  Create and facilitate age-appropriate, engaging learning activities that support developmental milestones

- ### Inclusive Environment Creation

  Design spaces and experiences that celebrate diversity and accommodate children with varying abilities and backgrounds

- ### Family & Community Partnerships

  Build strong, respectful relationships with families and engage community resources to support children's development

- ### Professional Ethics & Growth

  Maintain ethical standards whilst continuously reflecting on and improving your practice through self-evaluation

AGE GROUPS 0-5

Supporting Children Aged 0–5: What You Need to Know

Your training will prepare you to understand and support children at distinct developmental stages:

Infants (0–12 months)

Focus on secure attachment, sensory exploration, responsive caregiving, and supporting early motor milestones like sitting, crawling, and first steps

Toddlers (1–3 years)

Encourage language development, emerging independence, social play with peers, and exploration through active movement and manipulation

Preschoolers (3–5 years)

Foster creativity, problem-solving abilities, cooperative play, early literacy and numeracy concepts, and school readiness skills

Your role across all ages: Guide children's learning, observe their progress carefully, support their individual needs, and advocate for their wellbeing and developmental potential.

Visualising Your Learning Journey

Your qualification journey follows a carefully structured progression designed to build competence systematically:

Theoretical Foundation

Master essential child development knowledge and ECD principles

Skills Development

Apply theory through practical teaching activities and techniques

Workplace Integration

Gain authentic experience in professional ECD settings

Professional Readiness

Emerge as a qualified, confident practitioner

> Continuous reflection, feedback, and self-evaluation are integral to your success at every stage of this transformative journey.

Ready to Make a Difference?

This qualification represents more than just professional training—it's your gateway to one of the most meaningful careers possible. You'll be empowered to nurture the next generation's potential during the most formative years of their lives.

The early years from birth to five set the foundation for lifelong learning, wellbeing, and success. As an ECD Practitioner, you'll play a vital role in shaping these crucial beginnings.

> **Embrace the learning** with curiosity and dedication

> **Practice with passion** and authentic care for children

> **Grow as a confident professional** who makes lasting impact

Your journey starts here—let's build brighter futures together!