CHILDHOOD PRACTICE
MEd/PgDip

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This programme is designed for current and aspiring leaders and managers in childhood practice who have, or are willing, to undertake a practitioner qualification. It provides a practice-based examination of the theoretical approaches important to leadership and management within childhood practice.

What will I get from this programme?
- On successful completion of the programme you will meet the requirements of the Standard for Childhood Practice (Scottish Social Services Council, 2015).
- On successful completion of the diploma you will be given the opportunity to progress to masters and undertake the dissertation element.
- You will gain experience of relevant theoretical approaches which will develop an understanding of the leadership and management in childhood practice.
- The programme will also develop research, writing and professional skills which will enable practitioners to register with Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC) at a manager level.

Why Glasgow
You will review your own work experiences and use the findings to set your professional development targets within the programme.

Programme structure
You will take six core courses. Courses will be delivered through a combination of lectures, seminars, tutorials and group project work.
- Childhood practice: building a professional learning community
- Contemporary perspectives on children and childhoods
- Leading improvements in childhood practice
- Practice placement A
- Practice placement B
- Practitioner enquiry and decision making.

Career prospects
If you have a leadership role in childhood practice settings (or are looking for such a role) the programme will enhance your personal and professional development.
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‘The coursework through the diploma and then the masters was exemplary. The structure of lectures, group discussions and assignments were well balanced and appropriate for all students working in Early Years or After School Care. The staff were extremely supportive in person, by email and on Moodle. Nothing was ever too much trouble for them.’
Jeanann Thompson, UK
Entry requirements
An ordinary degree in any academic discipline. You should also have completed or be prepared to undertake a practice qualification: HNC, SVQ3, SVQ4 (in Children’s Care, Learning and Development or Playwork) or an equivalent professional qualification that allows you to register with a professional body (RCN/GTCs etc).

If you do not meet these requirements but are currently working in a childcare setting and hold a degree, you can apply with the understanding that you must complete a practice qualification before graduation from the University. You will be expected to undertake placement based assignments. You will also be required to provide an employer’s reference.

How to apply
To make an application to the University of Glasgow, go to:
glasgow.ac.uk/pg/apply
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