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NATIONAL CERTIFICATE

LEVEL 5

IN

EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION

National Certificate Level 5 in Early Childhood Care and Education

1. Level: 5
2. Credits: 180
3. Review date: June 2030

4. Access to qualification

4.1 Entry information

National Certificate Level 3 in Early Childhood Care and Development

Or

School Certificate

Or

An alternative qualification at Level 3 of the NQF

4.2 Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

Potential candidates holding a qualification at NQF Level 3 and at least 3 years of working experience in the relevant field may access this qualification through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) process.

4.3 Award of qualification requirements

Unit No.	Unit Standard Title	Level	Credit
CHILD GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING			
01	Demonstrate knowledge of child growth and development	4	12
02	Provide support to the child in context	5	6
03	Demonstrate understanding of the use of the play-based approach in a pre-primary setting	4	9
CURRICULUM, PROGRAMME PLANNING AND EVALUATION			

04	Demonstrate knowledge of the National Curriculum Framework Pre-Primary (NCFPP) 3-5 years	4	9
05	Demonstrate understanding of Developmentally Appropriate Practices (DAP)	5	3
06	Design and plan activities in a pre-primary setting	5	3
07	Apply the different pedagogical approaches in pre-primary education	5	3
08	Develop learning activities in early childhood setting	5	3
09	Assess the child's progress by using different assessment tools used in the pre-primary setting	5	6
HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT			
10	Promote the use of music, dance, and movement for the holistic development of the child	4	12
11	Develop Creative Artwork in a pre-primary setting	4	12
12	Adopt appropriate teaching and learning strategies to enhance the acquisition of mathematical concepts	4	6
HEALTH, SAFETY AND NUTRITION			
13	Demonstrate understanding of the development of children's awareness of their body and their immediate environment	4	6
14	Support learning through indoor and outdoor activities	5	3
15	Implement health and safety practices	4	3
16	Deal with emergencies and children suffering from ill-health	4	3
17	Plan menus according to children's nutritional needs	4	3
COMMUNICATION & DIGITAL SKILLS			
18	Develop communication skills and literacy skills	4	12
19	Demonstrate knowledge of planning and organizing appropriate activities to help children develop their communication skills and basic literacy skills	5	15

20	Demonstrate ICT skills	5	9
PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE			
21	Reflect on own professional practice	5	9
22	Carry out a project at school level	5	15
23	Reflect on transformative practice over a period of time	5	15
24	Demonstrate Managerial skills	5	3
	Total Credits		180

5. Purpose:

The National Certificate in Early Childhood Care and Education (Level 5) is designed to prepare learners to work as Educators in Early Childhood Education. It also provides a pathway for people contemplating further studies in the field. It provides knowledge, skills, and attributes required for learners across all early childhood services and settings within the socio-cultural context of Mauritius and allows flexibility for the holder to choose the setting where they wish to work.

6. Qualification pathways:

Upon successful completion of the National Certificate Level 5 in Early Childhood Care and Education, learners can choose to enrol for higher courses offered by the MIE or Universities.