



Southbank
Institute of Technology

Education for aspiring minds

CHC50908

Diploma of Children's Services

(Early Childhood Education and Care)

– for School Students



Are you patient? Do you love children? Can you accept responsibility?



You might enjoy a career as a child care worker in a child care centre, out of school hours care, kindergarten or a crèche. In this program, you will learn how to guide the behaviour and social development of infants and young children by gaining an understanding of children's interests and needs. As a child care worker, you will be responsible for supervising children, helping with their daily routines and preparing play and learning materials.

Southbank Tertiary Entrance Program

Southbank Institute of Technology (SBIT) offers units within selected diploma programs to school students in Years 11 and 12.

This program is known as STEP – Southbank Tertiary Entrance Program.

STEP students will be offered an on-campus experience at SBIT. STEP students will be required on campus at SBIT for up to 8 hours on their allocated day. Following Year 12, STEP students will have the opportunity to complete the entire diploma program at SBIT with confirmed entry and credit into the diploma they have been studying.

The majority of these diplomas will provide pathways and credit towards university programs.

Benefits

- Upon completion of Year 12, STEP students will be offered a confirmed entry with credit towards the diploma they have been studying at school. STEP students will therefore know in Year 11 they have a guaranteed place at SBIT, post senior schooling and have the ability to bypass the QTAC process at the end of Year 12.

- Since STEP forms part of a student's high school curriculum, students will be accumulating credit towards their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) as well as undertaking a diploma qualification.
- STEP offers students a more affordable option; students pay no tuition fees, only material fees.
- If a STEP student transitions to university after completing their diploma of choice
 - it is likely to diminish their HECS fees due to reduced time at university
 - students will graduate with both a diploma and university qualification in near to the equivalent time it takes to complete a university award.
- The pathways developed by SBIT and university partners provide a quality, highly focused learning experience for STEP students. These pathways combine the complementary strengths of both institutions.

Entry requirements

To be considered as a STEP student, Principal and parent/guardian consent is mandatory.

How to apply

From 31 August 2009, please visit SBIT's homepage www.southbank.edu.au and click on the **STEP Hub** icon on the right side of the page for more information.

- GU** Griffith University
- QUT** Queensland University of Technology
- UQ** The University of Queensland
- USC** University of the Sunshine Coast
- B** Bachelor

Program outline

School		
Semester one	CHCCN1D	Ensure children's health & safety
	CHCCN4D	Respond to illness, accidents & emergencies
		Vocational placement consists of five days working 6.5 hours per day over the holiday period
Semester two	CHCCS301A	Work within a legal & ethical framework
	CHCCHILD1C	Identify & respond to children & young people at risk of harm
		Vocational placement consists of five days working 6.5 hours per day over the holiday period
Summer School Year 11	Two week intensive course during the summer holiday period	
	CHCORG3B	Participate in the work environment
	CHCOHS301A	Participate in workplace safety procedures
	HLTFA1A	Apply basic first aid
Semester three	CHCCN2C	Care for children
	CNCCN3C	Prepare nutritionally balanced food in a safe & hygienic manner
	CHCCN5C	Care for babies
		Vocational placement consists of five days working 6.5 hours per day over the holiday period
Semester four	CHCIC1C	Interact effectively with children
	CHCRF11B	Work in partnership with families in caring for their child
		Vocational placement consists of five days working 6.5 hours per day over the holiday period
Summer School January 2011	Summer school prior to entry into SBIT	
	CHCFC1C	Support the development of children in the service
	CHCPR1C	Deliver services/activities to stimulate children's development & enhance their leisure
	CHCPR3C	Develop an understanding of children's interests & developmental needs

Applications

To be considered as a STEP student, you must firstly register and submit an *Expression of Interest* in STEP. You are able to complete this process online from 31 August 2009.

To submit an *Expression of Interest*, please visit our website for more information: www.southbank.edu.au and click on the **STEP Hub** icon.

Once your *Expression of Interest* in STEP Hub has been logged with SBIT and approved by your STEP coordinator and Principal, SBIT will send you an enrolment pack. To be formally accepted as a STEP student, you must enrol and pay online. Online enrolments open on 21 October 2009.

Cost

STEP students will only be required to pay the material fees associated with the units over Years 11 and 12. The material fees for the Diploma of Children's Services are:

Material fees*

Semester one	\$205.00
Semester two	\$240.00
Semester three	\$120.00
Semester four	\$220.00

Other fees

Summer School January 2011	\$410.30
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Please note: the cost of the Summer School January 2011 includes tuition and amenity fees because the student is no longer a secondary school student. However, these summer school units must be completed prior to the student continuing study of the Diploma of Children's Services at SBIT.

A new training package will be implemented in 2010 resulting in changes to the program outline. Southbank Institute of Technology will endeavour to match these changes as closely as possible.

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If a STEP student completes all of these units over Years 11 and 12, they will only have 1 year remaining to complete the entire Diploma of Children's Services at Southbank Institute of Technology.

Pathways to uni / credit	Possible career outcomes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ B Human Services – Child and Family Studies, GU <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 year uni credit - 2 years left at uni 	At the completion of this diploma STEP students may be employed as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ a primary teacher aide ■ a group leader in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a long day care centre - occasional care centre - outside school hours care centre ■ a family day co-ordinator ■ an assistant in a kindergarten or community preschool
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ B Education (Early Childhood), QUT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 year uni credit (applied across 4 year program) - 4 years left at uni (lighter study load across 4 years) 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ B Early Childhood Studies, QUT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 year uni credit (applied across 3 year program) - 3 years left at uni (lighter study load across 3 years) 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ B Education (Primary), QUT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 0.5 year uni credit (applied across 4 year program) - 4 years left at uni (lighter study load in some semesters) 	

*Please note - program information and prices are correct at time of printing and are subject to change at any time without notice. For up to date information call 13 72 48.

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