Bachelor of Early Childhood Education
The Bachelor of Early Childhood Education is an innovative and contemporary degree. It is both responsive to industry needs and forward thinking in terms of its focus on the development of scholarship, professional teaching practice and leaders in early childhood education.

If you choose to study Early Childhood at Holmesglen, you will have unique opportunities for hands on experience and the best possible preparation for a career as an Early Childhood Educator.

In 2011 Holmesglen opened a new building at the Waverley campus. A major feature of this building is the state of the art teaching and learning area for Early Childhood Education students.

The simulated early learning centre includes fully equipped indoor and outdoor play spaces, as well as a large adjoining classroom with one way observation windows. These features provide students with valuable opportunities to create learning environments for children from birth to 8 years of age. Through the observation windows, students are able to evaluate how children utilise the spaces; our staff are also able to observe and assess student progress and provide immediate feedback.

Holmesglen is very proud of this wonderful facility and excited about the unique opportunities provided to our Early Childhood Education students.

Course Structure
The course comprises of 32 compulsory subjects and 8 practicums. The practicums total 145 days of fieldwork.

Major Study Areas
- Child Development I
- Child Observation
- Practicum I
- Play as an Educational Medium
- Practicum II
- Literacy 1, ages 0-5
- Practicum III
- Inclusion and Diversity II (Indigenous & Multicultural Perspectives)
- Teaching and Learning Partnerships
- Numeracy II, ages 5-8
- The Contemporary Early Childhood Educator ages 5-8
- Inclusion and Diversity III (Additional Needs)
- Physical Development and Movement
- Practicum VII
- Performing Arts
- Communication and Positive Guidance
- Introduction to Professional Practice
- Child Advocacy
- Promoting Child Health, Wellbeing and Safety
- Child Development II
- Working with Families and Communities
- Inclusion and Diversity I (Contemporary Society)
- Curriculum in Action
- Young Children, Popular Culture and the Media
- Literacy II, ages 5-8
- Practicum VI
- Science, Technology and Environmental Studies
- Leadership and Management
- Inclusion and Diversity IV (Exceptional Children)
- Practicum VIII

Qualifications and Recognition
On successful completion, students are eligible to receive the Bachelor of Early Childhood Education

Admission Requirements
- Good passes at Year 12/Matriculation including Mathematics or the overseas equivalent
- English language proficiency of IELTS 7.0 or equivalent.

Career and Further Study Opportunities
The Bachelor of Early Childhood Education prepares students as specialists in the education of children from birth to eight years.

Graduates will be qualified early childhood teachers, eligible for Victorian Institute of Teaching registration and employment as Primary school teachers in Victoria. Graduates will also be qualified to teach in licensed early childhood settings in Victoria, including kindergartens. Graduates wishing to teach interstate or overseas are advised to check registration requirements with local authorities.

Course Length
4 years full time

Commencement Dates
February

Location
Waverley campus