

Factsheet: Level 1 Early Years Diploma

The Level 1 Early Years Diploma is a legal requirement for anyone working in daycare or early years settings in Israel. At London Bridge College, this English-taught programme includes 150 learning hours (Core Teaching and Essential Learning), 70 workplace hours in a nursery, tutor observation, and an assignment for each unit. [Click here](#) to see a full schedule of the level 1 course.

What are the entry requirements for the course?

You must work in a licensed daycare or able to undertake a placement for two sessions a month in a licenced daycare (we can arrange this for you). Students must be able to read, write and speak fluently in English.

How much does the course cost?

The cost of the course is free. There is a small registration fee of around 180 ILS after the programme begins, this is usually paid by your workplace.

Core Teaching sessions | Choose a group:

Friday Group – One Friday a month for 12 months, 8am – 2pm

Monday Group – Two Mondays a month for 12 months, 5:30 – 8:30pm

Essential Learning Element | Choose a route:

In addition to your Core teaching sessions, you must also complete the essential learning element of the course, and you choose a route:

Route A – Face to Face Essential learning: This is an extra Friday a month, from 8am to 2pm

Route B – Blended learning: This is online, in your own time, completing moodle courses on the computer

Tutorial support:

There are also monthly tutorials on Monday evenings, where you can get help, support and guidance for the course. These are optional and take place on days the core teaching sessions are not happening.

How much work is involved?

During the course, you keep a reflective diary of how you apply your learning in practice. There is also an internal exam or assignment for each of the 7 units. Assignments include completing a portfolio of activities, child observations and making a children's book!

What topics are covered on the course?

Child development, milestones, cognitive and emotional development, family and communities, quality care and pedagogy, effective learning environments, music, movement, literacy and books, health, hygiene, ethics and abuse and neglect, play, multiculturalism and diversity.

What do I get at the end?

Level 1 Professional Certificate in Early Years Practice, issued by The Ministry of Education. In Hebrew: הכשרה פדגוגית למחנך מטפל במעון יום סוג 1

What are the next steps?

You need to complete an [Expression of Interest Form](#), and come along to an IAG (Information, Advice and Guidance) session on a Monday evening, where we go over the course in more detail, and check your suitability for the course. After this you submit a formal application.