



NATIONAL HIGHER CERTIFICATE MODULE LAYOUT

SAQA Qualification Title	National Higher Certificate Early Childhood Development
SAQA Qualification ID	64649
NQF Level	5
Credits	120

WHAT IS EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT?

Early Childhood Development is the all-round development of our children to help them to further develop into childhood and adulthood. The development of babies, toddlers and young children form the foundation for all further development that a child undergoes. Childcare services (day-care, pre-school, etc.) represent much more than a drop-off location for working parents, they play a very important part in the development of children. They give children an opportunity to engage in a variety of educational and social activities. During early childhood, rapid development (physical, cognitive and emotional) takes place, this development is crucial in readying children for school. Children who are ready for school will be friendly, confident, and social; they will have good peer relationships, language skills and they will communicate well. School-ready children will be less likely to fail a grade and will perform better overall.

COURSE OUTLINE & CURRICULUM: (132 CREDITS)

PART TIME CONTACT LEARNING SCHEDULE

UNIT STANDARDS TITLE AND CREDITS

CORE COMPONENT

Module Code	ID	Credits
Mediate active learning in ECD programmes	13853	36
Promote healthy development in ECD programmes	13854	12
Develop and manage the ECD learning programme	13855	24

FUNDAMENTAL COMPONENT

Module Code	ID	Credits
Communication in workplace	8647	10
Present information in a public setting	13925	5

ELECTIVES COMPONENT

Module Code	ID	Credits
Facilitate a Numeracy Learning Programme in the Reception Year	244256	15
Facilitate a Literacy Learning Programme in the Reception Year	244257	15
Facilitate a Life Skills Learning Programme in the Reception Year	244260	15

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- ECD NQF Level 4 or Grade 12
- The ability to read, write and use written resource material for learning and teaching in at least two South African languages.
- The ability to understand fundamental mathematical/numeracy concepts.
- 8 Modules to complete with an ECD NQF 4 Qualification

FEES PAYABLE FOR 2026

- A once off NON-REFUNDABLE registration and administration fee of R1 500.00 payable on registration each year.
- R9 000.00 per year of study – payable in 12 monthly instalments of R750.00
- Fees cover Tuition, Learning Material and Assessments.

TRAINING MATERIAL

All your training material will be emailed to you, including all supportive documentation (assessment guide, workbook, logbook, etc.). Your portfolio of evidence (POE) will also be submitted electronically via email.