Working with children and families K204

Presentation pattern  February to October

Module description
Do you want to develop the knowledge and skills to work effectively with children and families? Spanning the range of health, education, child care and social care settings, this module enables students to do just that. It helps students to understand the changing nature of childhood and family life; the provision of services; children’s quality of life; and the importance of valuing diversity. Essential legal and policy frameworks for work with children and families across the UK are also examined throughout this module. Students study important issues in assessment and safeguarding children; promoting quality parenting; services for children and families; and children’s participation, development, and rights.

Person specification
The person specification for this module should be read in conjunction with the generic person specification for an associate lecturer at The Open University.

As well as meeting all the requirements set out in the generic person specification, you should have:

- a first degree in health studies or a relevant discipline and a professional qualification or considerable experience in a related field of work
- an academic background that enables you to take a critical view of health and social welfare and education matters as they affect children and families
- experience of working with children and their families in a health, education or social care setting
- ability to demonstrate an up-to-date knowledge of practice in this area.

Module related details - a full explanation can be found on the website

Credits awarded to the student for the successful completion of a module: 60
Number of assignments submitted by the student: 6
Method of submission for assignments: 1b
Level of ICT requirements: 2
Number of students likely to be in a standard group: 20
Salary band: 7
Estimated number of hours per teaching week: 6