Bachelor of Early Childhood with Management

SCHOOL OF
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT &
SOCIAL SERVICES
Why is SIM University (UniSIM) Unique?

Studying in SIM University means that working adults are able to enrich themselves academically without compromising their careers, families and social lives. All our classes are conducted in the evenings and during weekends on campus. To supplement the classes, study guides are provided so that self-study is possible to complement classroom learning.

Application of gained knowledge and skills is immediate as the curriculum is designed to be practical for working adults, resulting in greater knowledge retention and assimilation.

Our Partner

SEED Institute

Established in 1989, the SEED Institute, formerly known as Regional Training and Resource Centre in Early Childhood Care and Education for Asia (RTRC Asia), is a leading specialist institute in early childhood studies in Singapore and the region with a team of full-time teaching faculty who hold masters’ and doctorate degrees with rich experiences working with young children, parents and the community. It was awarded by the Workforce Development Agency as the first private Continuing Education and Training Centre for the early childhood sector in Singapore. SEED Institute offers early childhood programmes across all levels from Certificate to Masters’ Degree. The Certificate and Diploma programmes are certificated under the PQAC (Pre-School Qualifications Accreditation Committee) and the Workforce Skills Qualifications (WSQ) framework.

SEED Institute’s expertise in providing early childhood care and education programmes and consultation services extends to various international organisations such as UNICEF and PLAN International. For more than 10 years, SEED Institute has conducted customised training programmes under the auspices of the Singapore Co-operation Plan of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for early childhood educators from the ASEAN and Asia Pacific regions. In recognition for its strong dedication to capacity development in the care and education of young children, SEED Institute was appointed as host of the first Secretariat base for the Asia-Pacific Regional Network for Early Childhood (ARNEC) in May 2009.

For more information on SEED Institute, please visit www.seedinstitute.edu.sg
Programme Structure

Building on what the teachers already know in relation to the teaching and caring of young children, the programme includes a major subject combination that equip students with advanced knowledge in curriculum design and pedagogy in literacy, arts, mathematics and science for early childhood programmes. The programme also includes a minor combination of interdisciplinary subjects in the areas of human development, management and leadership.

Through the multi-disciplinary courses, learners will be able to critically evaluate their own teaching practices and apply their understanding of young children’s characteristics and needs to create environments and programmes that are healthy, respectful, supportive, and challenging for all children.

Curriculum*

Level 2 Early Childhood Education
Core Courses

- Child Growth & Development (0-8 Years)
- Life Span Development
- Play & Inquiry in Early Childhood Education
- Aesthetics & the Arts for Children
- Teaching & Learning
- Children’s Mathematics, Science & Technology
- Integrating Critical, Creative & Reflective Thinking
- Language & Literacy in Early Childhood

Management Core Courses Level 1

- Management
- Organisational Behaviour

Level 2

- Human Resource Management
- Managerial Accounting
- Business Excellence

Level 3

- Talent & Performance Management
- Project Management

Management Elective (choose one)

- Negotiation & Conflict Management
- Contract & Agency Law
- Operations Management

ECE Elective (choose one)

- Writing & Publishing for Young Children
- ICT for Engaging Children’s Learning

The core and elective courses are selected to extend the range of professional knowledge and competencies of the early childhood professional across different disciplines and areas of study and will incorporate latest research-based evidence and practical application to enable students to stay relevant in an ever-changing and evolving ECE industry.

Students are required to complete a total of 130 credit units (cu) to graduate with a basic degree, inclusive of 10 cu of university core courses.

All courses are in 5 cu unless stated otherwise.

*Curriculum may be subject to changes.
Admissions

You will be considered for admission if you meet the following minimum eligibility criteria:

- Two years of full-time work experience or are currently employed on a full-time basis; and
- At least 21 years old.

and

One of the following:

- GCE ‘A’ level with two passes (prior to 2006) or two H2 passes (from 2006) with at least a Grade B4 in GCE ‘O’ Level English Language + PQAC accredited Diploma in Pre-School Teaching or Early Childhood Care and Education (DPE-T/DECCE-T), or

- Local Polytechnic Diploma in Early Childhood Education (ECE) + 5 GCE ‘O’ level credits with at least a Grade B4 in English Language, or

- Local Polytechnic Diploma (non-ECE) + PQAC accredited Diploma in Pre-School Teaching or Early Childhood Care and Education (DPE-T/DECCE-T) + 5 GCE ‘O’ level credits with at least a Grade B4 in English Language, or

- PQAC accredited Diploma in Pre-School Teaching or Early Childhood Care and Education (DPE-T/DECCE-T) + 5 GCE ‘O’ level credits with at least a Grade B4 in English Language, or

- WSQ Professional Diploma in Early Childhood Care and Education (PDECCE-KT [or ADKET]/PDECCE-CC) + 5 GCE ‘O’ level credits with at least a Grade B4 in English Language

Candidates with an acceptable SAT 1 score may be considered for admission on a case-by-case basis. Shortlisted candidates may be required to undergo one or more interview(s) and/or take written admission or other evaluation tests.

Priority will be given to preschool teachers currently employed in the field.

All applications are considered individually and the offer of admission depends on the number of places available. Admission is solely within the discretion of SIM University.

How to Apply

Applications are to be made online via unisim.edu.sg. You must submit all the required documents together with your admission application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Tuition Fees and Government Subsidy

The amount of course fee you pay in each semester depends on the number of courses you take in that semester. Course fees cover all study materials, classes, supervision, assignments and examinations. They do not include costs for textbooks and other additional items specified by SIM University from time to time.

Students enrolled in this programme may be eligible for up to 55% government subsidy on course fee.

Please visit unisim.edu.sg for current tuition fees and eligibility criteria for government subsidy.

Internet Access

All SIM University students must have access to a computer or laptop and the Internet in order to use the electronic and website facilities, which allow access to course, academic or administrative information.

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