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CHILD AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

CAREER INFORMATION

WHAT IS CHILD & YOUTH CARE WORK?

Child and youth care workers provide direct care and support to children and youth who are "at risk" or vulnerable. The child and youth care professional is responsible for using his/her expertise to maintain and secure a healthy and safe environment that will help children and youth reach their full potential. Being a child and youth care professional requires mastering a body of knowledge and skills through education and experience.

Child and youth care is a holistic value-based orientation to ensure that the total needs of each child are met. A child and youth care professional understands that all behaviour is meaningful and purposeful, how disruptive, unusual, or unique it may seem.

Social workers register at the South African Council for Social Service Professions.

SCHOOL SUBJECTS

Mathematics, Physical Science and Biology.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A grade 12 certificate is required.

STUDY AT A UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY DURATION OF COURSE

The degree is completed after four years of full-time study.

FURTHER STUDY

The BTech degree allows admission to study the Masters in Child and Youth Development.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Employment opportunities for child and youth care workers are available in children's homes, residential secure care facilities, school hostels and street shelters as probation officers.

Child and youth care workers can be working in NGO's in the community, early childhood settings, schools dealing with barriers to learning, family re-unification programmes, youth centre support programmes, and training and developmental assessments in youth justice programmes.

KINDER- EN JEUG ONTWIKKELING

BEROEPSINLIGTING

WAT IS KINDER- EN JEUGSORG?

Kinder- en jeugsorgwerkers voorsien direkte sorg en ondersteuning aan kinders en jongmense wat in "gevaar" of weerloos is. Die professionele kinder- en jeugsorgwerker is verantwoordelik om sy of haar kundigheid te gebruik om 'n gesonde en veilige omgewing te skep wat kinders en jongmense sal help om hulle volle potensiaal te bereik. Om sodanige professionele beroep te beoefen verg die aanleer van baie kennis en vaardighede deur middel van onderrig en ervaring.

Kinder- en jeugsorg is 'n holistiese en waardegebaseerde oriëntasie om te verseker dat na die totale behoeftes van elke kind omgesien word. Die kinder- en jeugwerker verstaan dat alle gedrag betekenisvol en doel-georiënteerd is, hoe ontwrigtend, ongewoon, of uniek dit mag voorkom.

Maatskaplike werkers registreer by die South African Council for Social Service Professions.

SKOOLVAKKE

Wiskunde, Wetenskap en Biologie.

TOELATINGSVEREISTES

'n Graad 12 sertifikaat word vereis.

STUDIE BY 'N UNIVERSITEIT VIR TEGNOLOGIE DUUR VAN KURSUS

Die graad word voltooi na vier jaar voltydse studie.

VERDERE STUDIE

Die BTech graad verleen toelating tot Meesterstudie in Kinder- en Jeugontwikkeling.

BEROEPSGELEENTHEDE

Werksgeleenthede vir kinder- en jeugsorgwerkers is beskikbaar in kinderhuise, plekke-van-veiligheid fasiliteite, skoolkoshuise, en by straatskuilings as paroolbeamptes.

Kinder- en jeugsorgwerkers kan ook werk by Nie-Regeringsorganisasie (NGO's) in die gemeenskap, spesiale skole, vir gesins-herenigingsprogramme, ontwikkelingsprogramme by jeugsentra, en opleiding- en ontwikkelingsmeting doen in jeugmisdaadprogramme.