CAREER OPTIONS

Child Studies Orientation, September 5, 2017
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Introduction

Welcome and congratulations!

This program provides an excellent opportunity to study children and childhood from many disciplinary perspectives.

Your studies will position you to consider many possible career options.
Talking Points

1. Skills and knowledge to be gained in the program
2. Post graduation paths of some of my previous Child Studies Students
3. Becoming a member of the College of Early Childhood Educators
4. List of what Carleton Child Studies grads are doing today
5. Brainstorm list of career ideas
Skills and knowledge to be gained in the program
From Carleton Career Services
https://students.carleton.ca/careers/bachelor-of-arts/#child-studies

1. Apply scientific and social constructivist approaches to understand the influences impacting children and youth at national and international levels.

2. Collect and analyze relevant information about children and youth from a variety of interdisciplinary sources.

3. Present results from research in child and youth studies, both in writing and orally, to promote evidence-based knowledge to policy makers and service providers, as well as to general audiences.
Skills and knowledge to be gained in the program

**Communicate**
- Communicate effectively, intelligently and constructively during discussions on topics relevant to child and youth studies

**Identify**
- Identify strategies and ethical and human rights implications of working with children in settings

**Write**
- Write non-academic reports, policy briefs, pamphlets and posters to communicate about specific issues in child and youth studies
Skills and knowledge to be gained in the program

Critically review and evaluate strengths, weaknesses and limitations of a variety of child and youth research methodologies

Construct a self-directed research study utilizing appropriate research methods to effectively investigate a special topic related to child and youth studies
Career paths of some of my previous Child Studies Students

- Early Childhood Educator
- Family support worker, Aga Khan Foundation, in Montreal
- Animator at Disney World, in Florida
- Gym Administrator, in Beaconsfield
- International development work
  - Developing an early literacy program in Bangladesh
  - Educator at an orphanage in India
Post-graduate studies

- Bachelor of Education, Trent, Bishop’s, Concordia
- Graduate Diploma in Educational Technology, Concordia
- Master in Child Studies, Concordia
- Master in Educational Technology, Concordia
- Master of Social Work, Columbia University
- Law, McGill University
- Library Sciences, McGill University
Becoming a member of the College of Early Childhood Educators

In order to become a member of the College, Carleton Child Studies grads will need to apply to the College through the individual assessment process to have their education individually assessed for equivalency. More information about the individual assessment process is available at:


To qualify one must have:

- 476 hours of practicum experience with three different age groups;
- 3 - 45 hour general education courses
- 1200 hours of ECE instruction
Carleton Child Studies graduate: Occupations

• English Teacher in Private Language School
• Elementary School Teacher in School Board
• Early Childhood Educator in School Board
• Attachment Counsellor in Community Service
• Educational Instructor in School Board
• Early Childhood Educator in Daycare
• Preschool Teacher in Community Service

• Accounting Assistant in Post-Secondary
• Assistant Teacher in School Board
• Kindergarten Teacher in School Board
• Recruiting Manager in Higher Education
• Personal Assistant in Community Healthcare
• Long Term Occasional French Teacher in School Board
• Administrative Assistant in School Board

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Child Studies: Future Options

- Teaching
- Childcare
- Counselling
- Primary or Secondary Education Sector
- Community Development
- Non-Profit Management
- Policy Analysis
- Special Education
- Educational Administration
- Government Administration
- Behavioural Analysis
- Mental Health Care Field
- Project Management
- Children’s Programming Management

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Wishing you all the very best as you now begin your studies and consider the wide variety of options, that a Bachelor of Arts in Child Studies, can help make available to you!