Childhood Studies
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Olivia
2nd year Childhood Studies

‘I chose to take the optional Work and Work Placement unit because I wanted the opportunity to cultivate the skills I learnt in my degree and put them to use in the real world.

I feel so much more confident working in a professional environment than before and I now feel extremely comfortable working with children. Not only have I developed a range of skills, but I have also potentially found a career path.’
What sector could you end up in?

- Education
- Childhood research
- Children’s services
- Psychology
- Social Work
- Social Planning
- Law
- Management
- Administration
- Civil service

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Luke
BSc Childhood Studies with Quantitative Research Methods graduate

‘I thoroughly enjoyed the diversity and autonomy that the degree allowed me. The opportunity to work with such highly regarded professionals and academics really inspired and motivated me to make the most out of my degree. I am so glad that I made the choice to come and study at Bristol – the degree has provided me with the perfect foundation to progress my career.’
Jo,
BSc Childhood Studies
graduate

‘I absolutely loved the course and really feel like it has added so much to my life.

The Childhood Studies degree was a perfect foundation for my aspirations and gave me plenty of opportunity to read into my interests through the use of open units.’
The city of Bristol

Named **number one place to live** in the UK
(Sunday Times 2017)
'One of the main things that attracted me to the course was the breadth of disciplines you can cover over the three years due to the vast array of optional units.

I think this is such an advantage of the course as it allows you to learn more about a subject you are truly passionate about.'
Katie,
BSc Childhood Studies graduate

‘My time at Bristol University were three of the most demanding, fulfilling and significant years of my life.

The course attracts a variety of students from different backgrounds and builds successfully upon using these experiences to expand our knowledge which has benefitted me.

Without doubt I have left with lifelong friends and an experience that I don’t think I could have repeated anywhere else.”

I am now an experienced Social Worker with a demonstrated history of working in the government administration industry

I have recently been nominated for National Social Worker of the Year 2019.’
80% of the school’s research is classed as ‘world-leading’ (REF 2014)
Rose,
BSc Childhood Studies graduate

‘The foundation of knowledge that I built during my time at Bristol is fundamental to my work. The law and policy that we studied has been key in my understanding of UK legal framework of the Children Act and the way that local authorities work including safeguarding.

I am currently advocating for the rights of young people involved with social services in Haringey and Enfield and proud to be part of the Children’s Rights Service team at Barnardo’s. I am also completing MSc in Psychodynamic Psychotherapy with Children and Adolescents.’
Jo,
BSc Childhood Studies graduate

‘I always knew I wanted a rewarding career working with children and young people and taking the Childhood Studies degree enabled me to work towards this, preparing me in a way no other course could have done.’

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Catherine Mannu:
Digital Project Manager at The Children's Society

Olivia Mann:
Paralegal at SMQ Legal Services LLP

Hillary Rusholme:
Head of Department at Bute House Preparatory School for girls

Lottie Scaramanga:
Paediatric Speech and Language Therapist

Lucy Dayer:
PGCE Student at the University of Cambridge
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Leah Chowdhry, BCA
CEO & Founder of Pop up, Party & Play

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