

Early Childhood Education with AeU



Punithavathy (right) and daughter, Dinitha Darseni are both AeU students in Master of Education (ECE) and Bachelor of Education (ECE)

EARLY Childhood Education (ECE) is one of the most popular programmes and highly demanded by Malaysians.

Punithavathy Kupasamy, 42, married and a mother of 3 children (a daughter age 19 and sons, age 17 and 15), is the owner and principal of Taska Day Care Center, Genting Highlands.

She is a strong believer in lifelong learning and is currently pursuing her Master of Education with specialization in Early Childhood Education or MED (ECE) at Asia e University (AeU) as soon as she graduated in

flexible study mode and easily accessible online which fits my lifestyle.

I need only to attend weekend classes. Assignment carries 60 pct marks and exam 40 pct. I was excited all over again.

My initial journey with postgraduate learning was a little difficult at first as it is different somewhat from my undergraduate studies. I try my best not to miss any classes and with good learning strategies, I manage to juggle between family, career and study commitments. Having learnt from past experience, it was less

Graduate Diploma (Grad Dip, ECE) in the same university in 2015.

She shares her learning experience at AeU:

I was a previous student of London Montessori Centre in 1997/98 and regularly attended short courses to upgrade myself.

In my searches for a reputable university that could fit my busy work schedule in my Day Care School and family needs, I decided to enroll in AeU's Master of Education (ECE) in January 2016 because AeU remained my best choice due to its affordable fees, in

difficult for me now in adjusting my timing for my school, family and assignments.

I try to complete my assignments in time as I need to attend to my Day Care School and teach as well, prepared the lessons and at the same time handle my pupils' parents. Every morning, I need to wake up at 4 am so that I will arrive in my Day Care School, Genting Highland by 7 am.

After work, I travel home to Batu Caves to arrive at 6 pm. Once I reach home I need to fetch my sons from school and send them to tuition. At home I will cook

dinner for my family. Only after 10 pm. I will have time to do my assignments.

By the time I finished, I will be very tired and still able to stay awake until midnight. Every day I will try to spend 2 hours for studies. That was my daily routine. Saturday and Sunday were more taxing, as sometimes I have no time at all to do my assignments. But I had never skipped any AeU classes. With determination and good time management, I was able to complete my assignments on time. During AeU classes, the lecturers/academic facilitators were most helpful in giving guidelines on how best to complete my assignments.

After few months I was able to adapt and adjust to my studies. With god's grace, I managed to complete my studies and graduated in September 2015.

Despite the many challenges, it was a dream come true and I enjoyed my learning experience because the knowledge I gained was relevant and applicable to my occupation.

Encouraged and motivated by what I do, my daughter, Dinitha Darseni M. Ananthan, age 19 has also enrolled in AeU's Bachelor of Education (ECE) in May 2016.

Fast Facts on AeU

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