

## **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

I feel honored and blessed that I have been offered a place to study in Australasian International Academy for Certificate III and Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care. It is my immense pleasure to have this opportunity to express about my past, present and future concerning my academic achievements and aspiration. This statement of purpose depicts my educational background, my future educational plans and its relevancy to support my long term academic goals.

### **PERSONAL AND ACADEMIC DETAILS**

I am Ms. Elisha Sainju born to Mr. Manoj Kumar Sainju and Mrs. Ishwori Sainju on 27th June 1999 in Panauti, Kavre, Nepal. I live with my mom and dad. Talking about myself I am a hard-working and dedicated student. My first priority in my life is study along with pursuing my academic dreams and aspiration. I have tried my best in it throughout my study years. I would like to explain a brief about my achievement. I had completed my School Leaving Certificate (year 10) in 2015 securing first division with distinction (81.25%) from Kavre English Higher Secondary School which is situated at Panauti, Kavre. After then I moved to Kathmandu for my higher level education. The queries about human anatomy and function, plant and animal compelled me to choose Biological Science in my higher level education. I passed higher level education called HSEB exams from Little Angel's Secondary School securing 65.50% in 2017. As I am fond of spending time with kids. I enjoy playing with them and helping them in this needs I thought to pursue the international degree related to Early Childhood Education and Care. I then started working on my English speaking, vocabulary, pronunciation improvement knowing that academic success was much broader with English. I prepared for my IELTS exam (International English Speaking Testing System) and appeared exam on 5th October 2017 in which I scored 6.5 band overall.

### **FINANCIAL AND LIVING ARRANGEMENT**

My father is a business person and looks after the company named MI store which is located in Panauti itself and my mother is a housewife. We hold an annual income of NPR. 20,10,000/- which is approximately AUD\$ 25,276.66. I am a hard-working, enthusiastic and disciplined student from my early school days to end of my high school and also my parents are very supportive and encouraging. They are actually my source of motivation as they have always inspired me to become a better person and supported me throughout my academic journey till now. My tuition fees and living expenses during my stay in Australia is managed by my parents. They have arranged the sufficient amount of fund for my entire duration of study. Also my parents have kept some property for my study purpose if I face any financial problem in future so for now we have Bank Balance of NPR. 47,49,739.32/- which is approximately AUD\$ 58,544.79 in SBI Bank Limited, Newroad Branch, Kathmandu, Nepal. So I prepared financially to study in Australia without any financial difficulties.



## WHY AUSTRALIA RATHER THAN OTHER COUNTRIES AND HOME TOWN?

Australia is well known for quality education and students who study in Australia have been seen very qualified and successful in their career. The education provider of Australia provides wide ranges of courses to international student. The teaching methodology is both the blend of practical and theoretical education. I think studying in Australia for me is the most convenient way to develop and empower myself as it is the country with third largest international student's population. Also, I am very aware about the ESOS ACT which was simply merited in 2000. This is an act that governs the fundamental right of International students. It will enable our right to receive before enrolling, current and accurate information about the course fees, mode of study and other information from our institution and our institutional agent. Also, I am familiar with OSHC policy. In this policy, we are required by Australian government to join overseas health care that is private health insurance scheme administered by Allianz Global Assistance. The OSHC entitles us to free hospital covers and 85% of standard doctor's fee. Also Studying in Australia gives guaranteed quality assurance. The institution and courses just meet strict government rule and regulation. Australia contains 7 out of the top 100 universities in the world and the government invests around \$200,000,000 annually in international scholarship. One of most appealing factor of Australia for international student is the quality of scientific research. Country is forefront of new technologies, innovations and now it enters into new millennium with one of the fastest rate of internet in the world. Facilities for teaching, training are world class in terms of state of art laboratories, modern classrooms, libraries so student who studies in Australia can take advantage of all these impressive resources. Furthermore Australia experiences some of the lowest crime rate and strict gun controls law providing safe environment.

The education system of Nepal is more theoretical, which is being taught in primitive method courses are not up to date. There are no practical skills involved in the course in all year with the same analogy; the overall industrial competition gets fierce leading back of jobs for young individual. Also in Nepal there are no proper rule and regulation to secure students right. Because of the political fights and strikes colleges are often closed due to which final exams are affected and as a result students have to lose their precious one year. Plus here are limited colleges and just 6 7 universities due to which there are just limited courses that we can chose unlike of Australia where 22000 courses are offered in 11000 institution. Also when compared to countries such as USA,UK and Canada, I chose Australia because the degree provided by Australian Colleges & Universities are globally recognized. More than half million student from over 100 different countries choose to come Australia for higher education and i will also get a very good opportunity to interact with them.

It is also very difficult to live in Canada where the temperature goes under -30 degree Celsius whereas, the climate of Australia is almost same as in Nepal. Also we international student need to do part time job in Canada to cover up expensive tuition fee so time constraint is a major cons there's international student, time is indispensable asset. Higher studies demand more time, and working part time while studying takes up plenty of time. There is increased chance of getting

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less time to study, which is not definitely good for study. So the grades will go down due to lack of study.

Similarly the education in USA is very costly, if we do not get any scholarship or assistantship it will be hard for us to pay tuition fees. Also each state in USA follows different curriculum of courses creating student of varying standard of education. So in some job sectors, student can be rejected by employer due to over qualified profile and doubt on students' commitment toward work.

Furthermore, unlike of other countries like Germany, France, Japan where priority is given to their native language, the student have to take different language classes to study in their universities. Also it is not safe for international student as we can be misinterpreted there due to language gap. But Australia being an English speaking country it is safe and harmonious for international student in order to learn, study, travel and continue day to day activities. Also Australian people have good reputation for being friendly and Australian cities are also clean and safe place to live in. It is highly diversified country with multicultural environment; institute courses and syllabus are industrial based in Australia. Even though we hold a student visa we can easily work there to cover up the tuition fees. The basic jobs available in Australia for students are in grocery stores, food and beverage services or even various role in the respective university campuses. And the minimum wage in Australia currently sits up at 17 dollars per hour.

Also i particularly choose to study in Sydney because it has a tropical climate with warm summers and mild winters which is just perfectly suitable for us Nepalese. It is safe, friendly, and multicultural and has a great lifestyle even for us student. Sydney is by far the most celebrated state of Australia which is because of its attraction like the opera house, Bondi Beach, TheRocks, Sydney Harbour Beach and many more. Being an international student, it is permitted to work for 20hours a week and there are a lot of jobs and opportunities here in Sydney as compared to other states for us students with good earning amount. The campuses are easy to get due to well developed transportation system and could help to save a lot of time which can be utilized in other productive works.

### **REASONS FOR CHOOSING AUSTRALASIAN INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY**

After deciding to study early childhood education and care in Australia i researched on internet, took suggestion from friends and advice from educational consultancy here in Nepal on different colleges and universities like New Era Institute (<https://www.newerainstitute.edu.au/>), AIBT (<https://aibtglobal.edu.au/>), Queensford College (<https://queensford.edu.au/>) etc. But I find AIA the best one for me because it is one of best academic solution for any VET course that fits into my academic criteria situated in best location then other provider. It provides different kind of facilities and services which are not only good but also highly appreciated by student. Although all degree are equally valid in Nepal and equally recognized but still demand and recognition pattern of AIA degrees are found a bit higher in Nepal's Montessori School. AIA provides the best possible study experience equipped with multi face academic opportunities and with a world class teaching-learning processes. On comparison to other institute AIA hosts faculty member that are highly qualified professional who'd undoubtedly provide best possible knowledge in



every sector they teach. It offers affordable fee and also provide access to a variety of opportunities to deserving student. AIA has outstanding educational opportunities that will enable me to achieve my best as it provides in depth knowledge of childhood education and care. They bring classroom a wealth of knowledge, dedication and enthusiasm, small sized classes, efficient student welfare and support and services comprehensive career development opportunities. It delivers nationally recognized qualifications. Also the offered VET courses are articulated to university programs so immediately after completion of my Certificate III and diploma in early childhood education and care i can get enrolled in university for my bachelors in same course. My decision to study AIA has been emphasized by my desire to pursue quality education.

Comparing with other colleges like Australian Institute of Business and technology same course is delivered in 7 months for certificate III in early childhood education and care and fee is 22,800 AUD. Similarly New Era Institute delivers same course on 126 week for 21,050 AUD. But the course provides by AIA is quite different and nice Certificate III in Early Education and Care and Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care in AIA are both of 52 weeks and 75 weeks respectfully and the fee is 10,000 AUD per year. Although others too provide similar courses, the flexible intakes, affordable tuition fees, perfect course duration, good curriculum and practical focused teaching strategies of AIA outweighs others. Also the location of AIA is quite impressive as it is located in heart of Sydney and is connected to all major public transport routes and also the supermarket banks and post offices are within a few minute walk so i will not have any problem in transportation and reaching the college in time. And now the institute has about 32 childcare centres throughout the Sydney Metropolitan and Central Coast Area. So there are good facilities of practical placement opportunities for their student.

### **COURSE DELIVERY ARRANGEMENT AT AIA**

- 1) A timetable will be supplied to each student prior to course commencement. Students are also provided with an orientation to the course to outline the learning and assessment processes, support services and other relevant information. This forms part of orientation that AIA provides to International student.
- 2) A face to face and workplace based training mode is employed for this qualification. All classroom based training will take place at the AIA training facilities. Work placement will occur to.
- 3) Units of competency are delivered individually.
- 4) Students will be provided the required textbooks at orientation that they will use to develop their knowledge and understanding.
- 5) Students can also be supported outside of face to face training through emails and telephone contact with their trainer. Students are provided with their trainers contact details at orientation.



- 6) Students will also be provided with a list of reference materials that can be accessed to develop their knowledge.
- 7) Delivery methodologies employ terminology, equipped resources, materials, contexts, practices and activities associated with the business(or related) role in the workplace.
- 8) Trainers/assessors will visit students during their work placement to offer on job training support.
- 9) Students are encouraged to contact their trainer at any time and trainers will liaise with students regarding their progress and provide advice including any relevant course content and concepts, learning opportunities, assessment requirements feedback on assessment and any issue the student is experiencing. Student will be informed of any required reading or activities to prepare for each face to face session.
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- 11) Australasian International Academy uses a range of techniques during face to face delivery including trainer presentation and demonstration, individual task, case studies, researcher, role-play, practical demonstration and group work. The context of the stimulated workplace environment will be incorporated into delivery methodologies employ terminology, equipped, resources, material, contexts, practices and activities associate with business (or related) role in the workplace.

### **WHY CERTIFICATE III DIPLOMA OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE**

Choosing a particular career line is a crucial decision, hence every aspect of the career one is about to choose should be thoroughly understood. It demands proper planning and understanding rather brings unexpected outcomes. So, one must be careful while making decisions as one wrong decision can negatively affect the career path. Keeping this in light, I took almost 2 months to explore different courses and came up with decision for certificate III and Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care(nursery education).It is branch of education theory which relates to the teaching of young children(formally and informally) up until the age of eight. As serving others is always a satisfactory deed to me, my life would great if my career would relate the same. Helping and serving children would be one of the noble deeds and sector that i would always love to work in my whole life. Choosing this course for my career development was not hasty decision. My interest started developing since my early age. As an ambitious spirit, I became interested to know how children learn and develop. By choosing this course i will learn and develop about the history and culture of childhood as well as the major theories of social, emotional and cognitive development of a child. In this course I can get knowledge about the developmental milestones children make from birth until age 5-from crawling, to struggling to speak in full sentences and everything in between. This knowledge will help me to learn to work with different age groups and how to best help them learn. In fact majority of child's brain

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develops from the age of three or four. So a pre school teacher plays an vital role in their development. Children under age of eight are like a raw mud we can mould them the way we like so the proper guidance and care is required to them which a preschool teacher can only provide. So it's a no surprise that graduates with a degree in early childhood education get so many exciting career opportunities in future also one can make a powerful impact in the education system too. Whether a graduate work in traditional classroom or is a tutor at a facility they can help in development of country's education and will touch the lives of young children across the country in ways that could positively affect them forever.

Furthermore i can also expand my learning through realistic field experience. This placement enables students to consolidate their skills under the supervision of qualified practitioners which assists us to be work ready after graduation. I have always been driven by the compassion to contribute in positive way to the society. This course will help me achieve my dream and build me as one of the good asset for my country.

### **Course Structure for Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care:**

- ✓ Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety.
- ✓ Develop cultural competence
- ✓ Ensure the health and safety of children
- ✓ Promote and provide healthy food and drinks.
- ✓ Provide care for babies and toddlers.
- ✓ Develop positive and respectful relationship with children
- ✓ Use an approved learning framework to guide practice.
- ✓ Support the holistic development of children in early childhood.
- ✓ Provide experiences to support children's play and learning.
- ✓ Use information about children to inform practice.
- ✓ Work legally and ethically
- ✓ Provide and emergency first aid response in an education and care setting.
- ✓ Participate in workplace health and safety.
- ✓ Organize personal work priorities and development.
- ✓ Support behavior of children and young people.

### **Course Structure for Diploma In Early Childhood Education And Care:**

- ✓ Establish and maintain a safe and healthy environment for children.
- ✓ Foster the holistic development and well being of the child in early childhood
- ✓ Facilitate compliance in an education and care service.
- ✓ Establish and implement plans for developing cooperative behavior.
- ✓ Implement strategies for the inclusion of all children.
- ✓ Promote children's agency.
- ✓ Analyze information to inform learning.
- ✓ Design and implement the curriculum to foster children's learning development.
- ✓ Embed sustainable practices in service operations.
- ✓ Work in partnership with families to provide appropriate education and care for children.
- ✓ Maintain work health and safety.
- ✓ Lead the work team.

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- ✓ Provide leadership across the organization.
- ✓ Reflect on and approve own professional practice.
- ✓ Develop and implement policy.
- ✓ Research and apply evidence to practice.

### **FUTURE CAREER PLAN**

After completing my preferred course, I am determined to return back to my country as I have always intended serving my country. I have always considered working in my country as my only priority. And one of the reason that compelled me to choose this course is the negligence about its importance here in Nepal. So after completing my degree from Australia, I am sure i will be skilled enough to do something effective in my own home country Nepal in Child Care sector.

Early education and child care is heart to any profession and hence having through knowledge in this field shall open door to many sectors and thus adds unlimited scope to my career. I will have pile of opportunities to serve my country as a Group Leader, Team leader, Qualified child care worker, program leader, kindergarten or preschool assistant, primary school teacher aide, service manager or centre director in any leading child care facilities like Community Child Care Centre-Canada Foundation for Nepal, SOS Children's Villages Nepal (<http://www.sosnepal.org.np/>) , Mountain Child Care Nepal (<http://www.mountainchildcare.org/>) , Euro Kids Pre-school (<http://www.eurokidsnepal.com/>) etc. I have always had the dream to be an employer not an employee. So, after I accomplish the qualification, I will return back to Nepal, gain some work and operational experience & open up my own "Early Childhood Care and Educating Institute" so that i could educate the people to care for the children in their early childhood, organize many unemployed to serve themselves in such a interesting sector. Thus this degree from Australasian International Academy shall be best program to achieve my dream. I shall be able to fit in with the demand of market of Nepal.

### **INCENTIVE/MOTIVATION TO RETURN TO YOUR HOME COUNTRY**

My intention always remains to serve Nepal .After completion of my study in Australia; I will come back to my home country. Future depends on our knowledge and quality thus, the knowledge that i gained from AIA would give me desired push toward a great career ahead. Therefore, after the completion of my study there in Australia I will best utilize my study here in Nepal from which not only me, but my nation could also benefit. In Nepal there is not proper Montessori or pre- schools for children they are directly admitted to year 1 in the urban area while in the rural area there is not every proper regular school for children. So there is heap of opportunities and scope for me in this sector. There is a lot of thing that i can return to my country after completing my course. As I have already mentioned that i want to be a employer not a employee so that i can create many jobs opportunity here in Nepal for all those passionate young people that are interested in child care sector and want to learn some foreign technique as i will hold an international degree in this course. Also, It is lack of awareness that people in my country do not know about Montessori and pre- school so another best thing that I can do after

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being here is that i can collaborate with other NGOs and INGOs such as SOS, Read Nepal, Mountain Child Care. These all organization works on different aspect but their main aim is to help in the development of children.SOS takes care of all differently abled children also the children who have lost their parents. Similarly Read Nepal provides the library services for all those student who cannot afford books and copies so with the help of SOS and Mountain Child Care i can create awareness program, seminars and events about the importance of sending the children to pre school and it's benefit on child's development similarly with the help of Read Nepal I can create some attraction for the event such as distribution of some preschools books to children so that their parents can also get some knowledge about the course and they can know why is it necessary to admit children in Montessori before starting year 1.

Also, these days i can see child care experts that are graduated from foreign universities are doing so well here. They are successfully utilizing degree here that they have achieved from other country. These people are actually my source of motivation. They always inspire me as i personally believe in thinking globally and acting locally. Gaining an international degree from the reputed university of Australia and using that qualification skills and knowledge for my home country shall be the best thing that i can offer for my nation. Nepal Being a developing country really needs this. So that, we can know about the skill & methodology of developed foreign country.

Also i have been living with my parents since my childhood and even my brother is away from home. I am always pampered by my parents as I'm their only girl child in the family, it will be very difficult for me to stay away from them for that long. I will miss their presence as my parents have always been in my side and have supported me in every step of life. They have invested huge amount on my education till now and they are still supporting me financially for my further study in Australia. So I have great responsibility towards system. Furthermore, my family and my responsibilities toward them play an equally important role for my return.

### **STUDENT VISA CONDITIONS IN AUSTRALIA**

In every sector, there are limited rules and regulation. In some way there are some terms and condition for students VISA. Some of them are mentioned below;

- ✓ By the condition number 8105 a student can only work for 40 hours per fortnight during the session of course.
- ✓ By the condition number 8105 a student can work for more than 40 hours during their vacation provided by the educational institution.
- ✓ By the condition number 8202 a student must maintain satisfactory amount of attendance in the course study required by education provider.
- ✓ By the condition number 8501 a student must maintain adequate arrangements for health insurance during their stay in Australia under the policy Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC).





- ✓ By the condition number 8533 a student must inform their education provider about:
- ✓ The address of residence in Australia within seven days of their arrival in Australia
- ✓ The changed address of residence if assess within seven days of change.
- ✓ If the education provider is changed within a week of receiving the evidence of enrolment

### **CONCLUSION**

It would be of great pleasure and honor for me if given an opportunity to ensure my Certificate III and diploma in Early Education and Child Care as it shall be the most logical extension of my academic pursuits and a major step toward my career and achieve my objective. I hope you find my purpose definitive and i fit into your image of promising students.

Thank you, for your valuable time & consideration i will be looking forward to hearing for positive response.

Yours sincerely,  
Elisha Sainju

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