



Leadership & Innovation in the Early Years: Driving Excellence in Early Childhood Settings

A Certified 5-Month Blended Course for
Early Childhood Educators

Starts September

About the Course

This 5-month certificate programme is designed to empower mid-career early childhood educators to become reflective, values-driven, and innovative leaders in their settings. With a unique blend of theory and practice, it focuses on transforming individual mindsets and school cultures to drive systemic change in early childhood education.

Delivered in a hybrid format, this course combines monthly online masterclasses, in-person workshops, coaching circles, and self-paced learning modules to build the leadership capacity needed to lead with integrity, empathy, and impact.

What You Will Learn

Participants will develop competencies across key leadership domains:

- Pedagogical Leadership
- Organisational Management
- Team Building & Mentorship
- Advocacy & Community Engagement
- Innovation & Leading Change in ECE

Who Should Enroll?

This course is ideal for:

- Practicing early childhood educators and coordinators
- Curriculum and pedagogical leads in early years settings
- Educators aspiring to take on leadership roles

Programme Highlights

- Monthly Online Masterclasses
- In-Person Field Visits/Workshops
- Peer Coaching Circles
- Curated Readings & Self-Paced Learning Modules
- Mentorship Support & Leadership Projects

Certification & Recognition

Participants will receive a Certificate of Leadership & Innovation in the Early Years: Driving Excellence in Early Childhood Settings from The Learning Lab @ Healthy Planet in association with the Early Childhood Association of India (ECA).

Course Structure

The course is structured into a series of interconnected modules, each designed to deepen leadership insight and practice. Participants will engage in live online masterclasses, self-paced learning activities, field-based experiences, and peer coaching circles.

Running alongside the course is a Capstone Leadership Project. The course culminates with a final presentation of their leadership journey, celebrating personal and professional growth.

Meet the Faculty & Mentors

Learn from leading voices in early childhood education:

- Dr. Arunabh Singh – Co-Founder, Healthy Planet Schools
- Dr. Suhasini Kanwar – Co-Founder, Healthy Planet TGA
- Dr. Swati Popat Vats – President, Early Childhood Association of India
- Ms. McKenzie Cerri – Co-Founder, Graydin

Fees & Registration

Course Fee: ₹80,000

Start Date: September

Duration: 5 Months

Format: Hybrid (Online + In-person workshop)

Limited Seats for a Focused Experience

To ensure personalised support, meaningful dialogue, and deep engagement, this course is intentionally designed with limited seats. This allows for a more intimate learning environment, where every participant receives focused attention, mentoring, and space to grow as a reflective leader.

Why This Course?

- Designed for real-world impact in early childhood settings.
- Builds leadership capacity rooted in ethics, inclusion, and child-centered practice.
- Offers ongoing mentorship and a national professional network.
- Empowers educators to become change agents in their schools and communities.