

CHICKENSHED

THEATRE CHANGING LIVES

Student Higher Education Transfer Statement and Procedure

Chickenshed's arrangements for potential student HE Transfer

Inward transfer to Chickenshed's Foundation Degree Higher Education course at Level 5

Valuing your experience and capacity to change direction

Chickenshed values the knowledge, skills and experience that students gain through previous HE Credit, training courses, voluntary work, previous education, private study and crucially different types and levels of employment. These could count towards a transfer to Higher Education Study at Chickenshed either Foundation Degree or BA. Chickenshed value a student's previous accreditation, credit and experience from previous HE organisations when students request to transfer to Chickenshed HE at Level 5, which is the second year of the Chickenshed Foundation Degree 'Inclusive Performance' and the main potential transfer stage. Prior learning experiences sometimes go unrecognised because they have never been formally assessed, or because you were able to start but unable to complete a course of study. However, with the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), process past qualification credit and experience can be formally recognised and count as credit towards a transfer to the Chickenshed Foundation Degree, if the credit or experience are related, appropriate and equivalent in terms of level and size/credit quality. In the case of Chickenshed if each HE year of study has achieved its accredited outcome and is equivalent to 120 credits, then it may be able to go towards an overall Foundation Degree credit value of 240 credits for the full Foundation Degree.

RPL will give students, who wish to make a transfer from another HE Provider to Chickenshed, the chance to explain what they already know and what credits at HE Level they have achieved. Consultation with Chickenshed will help a student decide if course transfer is the right option for them. This will show them how to put together an RPL claim, and enable Chickenshed to liaise with Middlesex University and other sources where applicable to make a decision on the transfer arrangement a student is proposing. As mentioned a student's previous non-HE experience may also be helpful in this consultation process.

Chickenshed would always advise students to check if and how transfer would affect their funding status. Consultation with Chickenshed is available with staff who can advise on this exploration and consult with Middlesex University where appropriate. Middlesex University is Chickenshed's validating partner and Awarding Body.

Outward Transfer from Chickenshed HE to other HE Provision

In the same way Chickenshed assesses the conditions whereby a student can transfer onto its Foundation Degree course through the evaluation of previous HE Credit and potentially 'Recognition of Prior Learning' – so Chickenshed would also engage these processes with other HE organisations if a student wished to transfer from a Chickenshed HE course to a HE course at another HE provider. The same processes would apply for Chickenshed, whilst the processes of the other HE provider – to whom the Chickenshed student may be seeking a transfer, would also need to be taken into account via consultation.