



## CASE STUDY

# Sarah Shutt

CACHE Diploma in  
Child Care and Education

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### Introduction

Sarah Shutt is in her final year of the CACHE Diploma in Child Care and Education at Braintree College and has been consistently achieving top grades for her course assessments.

### Achievement

Sarah said: “I had planned a new start after leaving school and originally enrolled at another college to study child care, with the aim of going into midwifery. Unfortunately I didn’t receive the support I needed so left the course and got a full-time job. I still kept the dream of training to be a midwife and knew I had to continue with my education and take the opportunity to get the relevant qualifications, so in 2006 I started to Braintree College.”

She continued: “From the first interview onwards I knew I’d made the right choice, everyone was so supportive. The CACHE Diploma is a challenging course but the lecturers inspire you to learn; their encouragement has motivated me to achieve ‘A’ grades in all the modules. The work placements and course assignments go hand in hand to build up your knowledge and I’ll have a great opportunity to put the knowledge into practice during our study visit to Goa this year, when we will spend time at orphanages and schools and take clothes and learning equipment bought with funds raised by the Child Care students.”

### The Future

Sarah concluded: “I wouldn’t have got where I am now anywhere else, I am really enjoying College and feel good about my achievements. I’ve applied to university to study midwifery and am glad I took the opportunity to start my career.”

