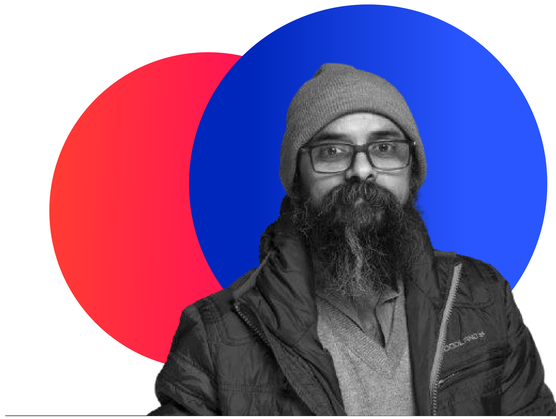
Playducation: | 15-19 June 2026

Learning through Play

To explore play as an inherent and natural process of learning, deeply connected to human growth and development. The workshop aims to help participants understand how play functions as a multisensory, exploratory, and joyful activity that drives continuous learning and adaptation. Emphasis will be placed on the crucial role of play in early childhood (ages 3–5), where most physical and cognitive development occurs. Through design-based exploration, participants will learn to ideate and create play-way methods using everyday resources, fostering curiosity, creativity, and holistic learning experiences.

Visiting Instructors: **Austin Davis**



Anchor Faculty: **Shekhar Bhattacharjee**

Duration: **5 days** | Venue: **NID Gandhinagar** | Proposed intake: **10-20 students** | For whom: **Preschool teachers, Preschool coordinator, School principals, school administrators, Parents, any enthusiast**

What you'll learn?

- Elements of Play and their connection to learning and development.
- Human Development and Psychology in relation to play and early learning.
- Understanding the NEP (2020) and ECCE framework for the 3–5 years age group.
- Exploring Design, Play, and Play-way methods as tools for experiential and autonomous learning.

Methodology

Multiple interactive and hands-on sessions

Group discussions to share ideas and reflections

Participant presentations for collaborative learning

Final display of outcomes and creative explorations