Rewarding careers in teaching

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Teachers can have a lasting and profound impact on the lives of their students. Our education and teaching courses are designed to amplify the scope of your teaching practice and all degrees include extensive and meaningful work placements.

At Southern Cross, what we do matters. We make a difference by preparing outstanding educators and educational researchers for a highly complex and changing world. We make children and young people’s lives better. We lead and contribute to Australian and international curriculum and policy.

Professor Amy Cutter-Mackenzie-Knowles, Dean and Head of School, School of Education (above)

5-Star rating in Education and Training for undergraduate learning resources, overall experience and student support; and postgraduate overall experience, student support, skills development, teaching quality and graduate salary (AUD$97,000).
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (Primary)

Duration 4 years
Starts February, June
Total units 32
Location Gold Coast, Lismore
CRICOS 085928D
2021 Tuition fees Unit $3,350 I Annual $26,800

Admission requirements: Qualification equivalent to an Australian Year 12 with the required entry grade; and English language comparable to Academic IELTS 7.5, including a minimum result of 8.0 in both the speaking and listening modules and 7.0 in reading and writing.

You will study the essential skills to become a primary teacher with our Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (Primary) to successfully teach from the first year of school to Year 6.

You’ll complete an eight-unit specialisation in either English; Mathematics; Science and Technology; Human Society and Its Environment; Creative Arts; and Personal Development, Health and Physical Education. The specialisation in English can enable you to meet the requirements for teaching language and literacy.

Professional placement
You will also complete extensive in-school professional teaching placements to apply your theoretical knowledge in the real world and fulfil your capacity as a primary school teacher.

Professional recognition
This course is re-accredited every five years with the NSW Education Standards Authority and approved by the Queensland College of Teachers for national recognition through the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership.

The Diploma of Arts and Social Sciences is a pathway into this course.

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (Primary/Early Childhood)

Duration 4 years
Starts February, June
Total units 32
Location Gold Coast, Lismore
CRICOS 085927E
2021 Tuition fees Unit $3,350 I Annual $26,800

Admission requirements: Qualification equivalent to an Australian Year 12 with the required entry grade; and English language comparable to Academic IELTS 7.5, including a minimum result of 8.0 in both the speaking and listening modules and 7.0 in reading and writing.

Gain a qualification in early childhood teaching and primary school teaching with our Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (Primary/Early Childhood). Alongside primary education, you’ll explore the principles and pedagogies of teaching in early childhood education and care (ECEC); the development and learning of children across the life span; the role of families and communities in ECEC; and your role as an educational leader in ECEC settings.

Study a specialisation in English, in addition to the Australian curriculum studies in English; Mathematics; Science and Technology; Human Society and Its Environment; Creative Arts; and Personal Development, Health and Physical Education.

Professional placement
In addition, practical placements will provide you with teaching experiences across the age range from six-weeks to 12-years-old.

Professional recognition
This course is re-accredited every five years with the NSW Education Standards Authority and approved by the Queensland College of Teachers for national recognition through the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership; and with the Australian Children's Education & Care Quality Authority.

The Diploma of Arts and Social Sciences is a pathway into this course.
Graduate Diploma in Education
(Early Childhood)

Duration  1 year
Starts  February, June
Total units  8
Location  Gold Coast
CRICOS  102984F
2021 Tuition fees  Unit $3,350 I Annual $26,800

Admission requirements: Qualification equivalent to an Australian Bachelor degree; and English language comparable to Academic IELTS 6.5 overall with no less than 6.5, including a minimum result of 6.5 in the speaking, listening, reading and writing modules.

Become a fully qualified early childhood teacher in just one year with the Graduate Diploma in Education (Early Childhood). Gain work in preschool and long day care (child care) settings, family day care, and early childhood services.

You will learn about early childhood education and care, theory, principles and practices that best support children’s learning and development, including social justice, diversity and equity, working with families, investigating different early childhood educational models around the world and applying knowledge, skills and capabilities in professional experience.

Professional placement
You will undertake 60 days of professional placement in both a preschool setting and an infant and toddler setting.

Professional recognition
The University has accreditation for this course from the Australian Children’s Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA).

The Postgraduate Qualifying Program and English Language Program (EAP 2) are pathways into this course.

Master of Teaching
(Early Childhood stream)

Duration  2 years
Starts  February
Total units  16
Location  Gold Coast
CRICOS  102983G
2021 Tuition fees  Unit $3,350 I Annual $26,800

Admission requirements: Qualification equivalent to an Australian Bachelor degree; and English language comparable to Academic IELTS 7.0 in all bands, including a minimum result of 7.0 in the speaking, listening, reading and writing modules.

Become an early childhood teacher (six-weeks to five-years-old), or work as an educator in a range of education and non-education settings. Master of Teaching includes coursework, a research project and professional placements that are integral to your learning experience. Your extended research project will focus on an area of education that is significant to your field of teacher education and you will complete units in the Early Childhood stream.

Graduates typically work as an early childhood teacher in preschool and long day care (child care) settings, and may pursue work as a family day care educator or in early childhood services. Other roles can include education consultant, community educator, education policy analyst, curriculum writer, children’s entertainment presenter, teacher of English overseas, private tutor, and children’s advocate leader.

Professional placement
You will undertake 60 days of professional placement during this course in two environments – a preschool setting and an infant and toddler setting.

Professional recognition
This course is re-accredited every five years with the NSW Education Standards Authority for national recognition through the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership.

The Graduate Diploma in Education (Early Childhood) and English Language Program (EAP 3) are pathways into this course.

Important information

Non-academic admission requirements
As part of the application process, you will be asked to submit a 1,000-word personal statement outlining your non-academic capabilities. For details, visit scu.edu.au/school-of-education/course-options/non-academic-requirements/

Professional experience requirements
As you will be interacting with young people during your professional experience placements, upon enrolment you will be expected to apply for and attain a valid Working with Children Check. For details, visit scu.edu.au/school-of-education/professional-experience/professional-experience-requirements/

Teaching accreditation requirements
Usually, Australian teacher qualifications are recognised internationally, but students need to check with potential employers and teacher registration authorities in other countries regarding accreditation requirements.
Annual Tuition Fees are in Australian dollars (AUD), are correct at time of printing (October 2020) and subject to change. Annual tuition fee is based on completing 8 units per year. Students are required to pay Overseas Health Cover (OSHC) for the duration of their visa in advance. In addition, students will be charged a Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF), and indicative non-tuition fees. Visit scu.edu.au/international for more information. Published by Southern Cross University October 2020. The information in this brochure was accurate at the time it was published and is to be used as a guide only. Southern Cross University reserves the right to alter, amend or delete details of course offerings and other information published in the brochure at any stage. To the extent permitted at law, the University excludes all liability (including all losses, damages, costs and expenses of whatever nature) arising from the use of, or reliance on, any of the information contained in this brochure. Information in this brochure is for international students wanting to study in Australia.

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