

Bachelor of Education (Primary)

Burwood (Melbourne)
Waurin Ponds (Geelong)
Warrnambool



Fast-track your career

We're the only university in Australia to offer a three-year Bachelor of Education (Primary)*

Are you interested in an exciting and rewarding career teaching primary school-aged children? Gain hands-on experience and specialist expertise with the Bachelor of Education (Primary).

Course essentials

Deakin code: E359

Location: Burwood (Melbourne), Waurin Ponds (Geelong), Warrnambool, or alternative entry through National Indigenous Knowledges Education Research Innovation (NIKERI) Institute

Intakes: T1 (March)

Duration: 4 years full-time or part-time equivalent, 3 years full-time accelerated mode.*

Course overview

Gain the knowledge, skills, practical experience and understanding required to teach young people. From mathematics to science, to the arts and literacy, you'll learn how to help children engage with curriculum in their primary years and build a solid understanding of what it takes to make a difference as an educator.

Graduate classroom-ready with a primary specialisation and the professional experience required to confidently teach grades prep to year 6.

Professional experience

Deakin's Professional Experience Program is a key part of your course, ensuring you have the practical skills required to launch into your career. Working with more than 1400 schools across Australia, a dedicated team will help you find the right placements based on your interests, skills, residential location and mode of transport.

Benefit from at least 80 days of placements for you in schools where you'll learn from experienced teachers. You will also have access to specialised teaching spaces on campus to prepare for your teaching career.

Broaden your perspective by choosing to take part in our rural, regional, remote, or metropolitan placements. You will have the opportunity to learn within a diverse range of communities in Australia, or learn about intercultural education when you travel overseas – all while gaining credit towards your degree

Professional recognition

Deakin's Bachelor of Education (Primary) is accredited with the Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT) as a nationally accredited course for teacher registration in Victoria. Graduates intending to apply for registration in Victoria should check the requirements relating to this process at vit.vic.edu.au.

Career opportunities

The education and training industry is one of the largest growing industries in Australia, and is projected to grow by 13.4% by November 2026 – that's 149,600 new jobs.*

Teaching and education courses at Deakin lead to careers that can make a profound and lasting contribution to the future by positively educating and influencing the lives of students. Teaching is a rewarding career that offers creativity, flexibility and opportunities beyond working in a classroom.

As a Deakin graduate, you'll be ready to teach in primary schools within the private, independent and public education sector. Opportunities also exist in government agencies, community services or not-for-profit organisations.

The Deakin difference

Deakin is the #2 university in Australia and #11 in the world, for education and educational research^.

We maintain close links with the education sector to ensure our courses are developed and reviewed with industry and professional input. You'll be taught by teaching staff with industry experience, recognised as leaders and innovators in their fields – so you can be confident that what you learn at Deakin will be relevant to your teaching career.

deakin.edu.au/teaching

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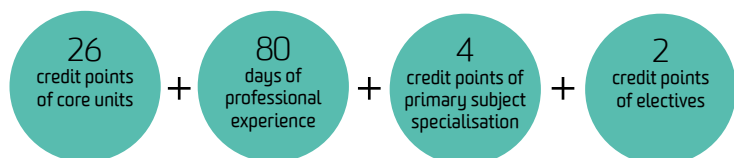
'Deakin gives you so much support and makes you feel so comfortable. I couldn't recommend studying with them more highly.'

Tayla Norton
Bachelor of Education (Primary)
graduate



Course breakdown

To be awarded a Bachelor of Education (Primary) a student must successfully complete 32 credit points comprising:



Primary subject specialisation

Develop advanced skills in a priority area of the primary school curriculum and gain a competitive advantage for employment.

Choose from:

- health and physical education
- languages^{^^}
- language and literacy
- mathematics and numeracy
- science.

Explore our stories

Are you curious about how other students have shaped their degrees to match their goals? Or do you want an insight into how placement works and what Deakin will do to support you?

We've gathered the best and boldest of our student stories online. Simply go to deakin.edu.au/artsedstories to get inspired.

Get to know Deakin

We've built a reputation out of putting our students' wellbeing first — from the beginning of their journey through to the very end.

Find out about how Deakin can help you manage your finances, study habits, health and wellbeing and post-university career at:

deakin.edu.au/student-life-and-services

Casper test

Before beginning your studies, prospective teaching students need to successfully complete the Casper test — an online, video scenario-based test that lets you demonstrate your suitability for a teaching career.

Deakin covers your Casper test fee!

We'll cover the test fee with a payment to you at the point of admission.

Entry requirements

Ready to find out more? Visit our course webpage for full details including pre-course and entry requirements (including the Casper test and Working with Children Check), unit selection options and campus and trimester availability

Applying to Deakin

Apply through VTAC

Current year 12 students can apply through VTAC: vtac.edu.au

Apply direct to Deakin

All other applications can be submitted directly to the university:

deakin.edu.au/apply

APPLY NOW

^{*}An accelerated 3-year Bachelor of Education (Primary) is available as an equivalent 4-year degree when students study select units in Trimester 3.

^{*}National Skills Commission, 2021 Employment projections for the five years to 2026

[^]U.S. News & World Report, Best Global Universities Subject Rankings 2024–2025

^{^^}Not available as an accelerated completion

Students are also required to complete units ELN010 and ELN011 as part of the Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education (LANTITE) and unit DAI001 Academic Integrity Module in order to graduate from their course. These units do not contribute towards course credit. Refer to deakin.edu.au/teaching for a complete course structure breakdown. It is recommended that all students seek assistance from a student adviser.

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