



Why study a **MASTER OF TEACHING** **[PRIMARY]?**

There is joy in teaching! At Avondale University, we will prepare you to communicate that joy to your students each day in the classroom and find joy in your teaching career through our Master of Teaching (Primary) degree.

IS THE MASTER OF TEACHING (PRIMARY) DEGREE RIGHT FOR YOU?

As you consider a career transition into primary teaching, it's likely you:

- | Enjoy being around children;
- | Are flexible and skilled at time management;
- | Have the desire and ability to help others;
- | Relate well with people, especially children;
- | Can make ideas simple and easy to understand; and,
- | Enjoy discovering new things and sharing those discoveries with others.

If this describes you, a transition from your current career into the primary classroom is bound to be successful.

WHAT WILL I BE STUDYING?

The degree consists of 16 units of study over four semesters full-time, or the equivalent part-time.

You will complete:

- | Eight education units (core, curriculum and pedagogical studies units), and
- | Eight discipline-specific units.

The **core units** will prepare you to successfully teach young people in a range of educational topics, such as: classroom management, teaching students with special education needs, and indigenous education.

The **curriculum and pedagogical studies** units will help you to apply quality-teaching principles to specific teaching areas, such as: literacy education, classroom safety, curriculum development and teaching strategies.

The **discipline-specific units** will prepare you to teach within Key Learning Areas. For example, the unit Curriculum Studies - Teaching English 1 focuses on teaching English from Kindy to Year 2 with an emphasis on handwriting, writing and structuring literacy blocks.

Am I eligible?

The Master of Teaching (Primary) degree offers the unique opportunity for you to give your bachelor's degree new life.

Our Master of Teaching (Primary) degree has helped students from diverse backgrounds, such as public safety, law, psychology, nursing, communication, science, journalism and more, successfully become primary teachers.

To be eligible to study the Master of Teaching (Primary), you must have studied at least eight semester-long units in a Key Learning Area or a combination of Key Learning Areas from the primary school curriculum during your undergraduate degree.

Key Learning Areas include:

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| English | Mathematics |
| Science and Technology | Human Society and its Environment |
| Creative Arts | Personal Development, Health and Physical Education. |

Click here for more information about Key Learning Areas. The course convenor will assess your transcript to ensure this requirement is met.

WHAT DO OUR *students say?*

"I was nervous about returning to study because it had been years since I had completed my psychology degree. One of my biggest concerns was the use of technology.

But when beginning to feel a little overwhelmed, I received a call from one of my lecturers who said: 'We're here to make sure you get the best out of your education, and we know you can do it.' The support has been amazing. At Avondale, they are invested in the students' development and success."

Kim Keating

As a student, you can expect:

- | Lecturers who are regularly available to provide feedback and engage with students
- | Flexibility and consideration of individual student circumstances
- | Emphasis on your understanding of the course, and
- | Faculty committed to your development as a whole person.

WHAT MAKES OUR PROGRAM UNIQUE?

At Avondale University, we offer an exceptional learning experience with students and alumni rating our education degree as #1 in Australia for student satisfaction. This is the result of our Christian worldview and our small class sizes.

OUR EDUCATIONAL APPROACH

The Master of Teaching (Primary) program exists to inspire and equip conversant, capable and committed Christian teachers. We aim to help you become a teacher who is reflective, creative and confident in the classroom, and to give you the necessary skills to teach in Christian, independent and state school systems both in Australia and overseas.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

One of the most important parts of your education will be the professional experience placements that will take place in a variety of primary school settings over 60 days. During your professional experience, you will be assigned an experienced and skilled teacher mentor. Your professional experience in schools - together with the networking relationships with your mentor teachers - will equip you to face the challenges and diversity of classrooms.

IMPORTANT PROGRAM DETAILS

Fees

Most Australian and New Zealand Master of Teaching (Primary) students receive a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) to study this degree at Avondale. A CSP means that the Australian government partially subsidises course fees and you pay a small student contribution. In 2022, the student contribution is \$498 per unit of study. This is a substantial saving on the full tuition fees. Eligible domestic students can also apply to defer their fee contribution to a FEE-HELP loan. See www.studyassist.gov.au for more information.

Tuition fees for international students are A\$3,257 per unit of study.

*This is the fee for a standard unit of study.
Some units attract higher fees.

Program Intakes

There are two intakes a year:
February/March and July/August.

Program Duration

The Master of Teaching (Primary) course consists of 16 units of study. You can choose to study full-time over four semesters for two years, or part-time equivalent.

Entry Requirements

Prospective Australian or New Zealand students will need to:

- | Have a suitable Australian bachelor's degree or equivalent degree that meets the requirements of the New South Wales Education Standards Authority (NESA).
- | Submit an online personal statement addressing four simple questions. [Click here to see the questions.](#)
- | Have a current Working With Children check.



Prospective international students will need to meet the university's English language requirements. **Scan or click here for more information.**

WHAT NOW?

Your Primary Teaching journey starts here. Get in touch with our postgraduate student advisors and we will provide you with more information and guide you through the online application process.

Book a 15-minute consultation →

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