

Initial teaching degrees

Code	Campus	Duration	Credit points	Start	Entry requirements
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Graduate Diploma of Education—Secondary

4138 QTAC code: 232152	G	1F/2P	80	Feb	Completed bachelor degree (or equivalent) that does not lead to teacher registration with a minimum GPA of at 4 and disciplinary strengths in 2 distinctive teaching areas. Applicants must have completed a quarter of their degree (or other studies) in the first of their nominated teaching area. That is, the first teaching area must include a minimum of 6 courses for senior secondary. The second teaching area must include another four courses minimum for junior secondary, or 6 courses minimum for senior secondary.
					To qualify for the Learning Support specialist area applicants must have completed subjects in psychology.
4137 QTAC code: 223222	M	1F/2P	80	Feb	Note. If you're an international applicant, or if you're an Australian applicant with English as a second language, you'll need to provide evidence of a standard of English language proficiency equivalent to an overall IELTS score of 7.5 (academic) with no score below 7 in any of the four skill areas, and a score of no less than 8 in speaking and listening. You'll also need to meet the cost of this testing, and your English results will need to be no more than two years old.

Applications

Applications for this degree are through QTAC. See qtac.com.au for details on how to apply.

What you'll study

If you're a graduate from a non-education background and wish to teach in secondary school settings, this degree will give you the necessary skills and knowledge you need to register with the Queensland College of Teachers.

You'll learn the theory and practice of teaching, as well as about the characteristics of learners and teachers and the social contexts of education. The degree includes education studies, curriculum studies in two nominated teaching areas, and professional experience in secondary school settings.

Teaching areas

You'll need to be able to identify two of the following teaching areas:

- Biology
- Business Education[#]
- Chemistry
- Computer Education
- Design and Technology^{*}
- Drama^{*}
- English
- Film and Media^{*}
- Geography[#]
- Graphics^{*}
- Health and Physical Education
- History[#]
- Instrumental Music^{*}

- Integrated Sciences
- Languages other than English (LOTE)^{*}
- Mathematics
- Music^{*}
- Physics
- Science
- Visual Arts^{*}

* Available at the Mt Gravatt campus only.

Available at the Gold Coast campus only.

If you are studying at the Gold Coast you may select teaching or specialisation areas offered at Mt Gravatt and study that teaching area at our Mt Gravatt campus.

Learning Support specialisation

If you have completed subjects in psychology in your bachelor degree, you may select one of the above teaching areas and complete the Learning Support specialist area. In the Learning Support courses, you'll gain specialist skills needed to provide learning support to students with additional needs. You'll be able to work in secondary settings where you advise teachers in their planning and/or teach in secondary special education settings.

Professional accreditation

As a graduate, you'll be eligible to apply for registration with the Queensland College of Teachers. This qualification is recognised nationally and internationally.

Career opportunities

You'll be qualified for teaching students in public and private secondary school contexts throughout Australia and at equivalent levels overseas.