



Master of Primary Teaching (Domestic students)

| Program code | Admission requirements | Commencing in |
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| 5587 | Non-Education Bachelor degree or equivalent plus Non-academic entry requirements | Trimester 1 |
| Available at Gold Coast Campus, Mt Gravatt Campus, Online | (more) | Apply Now |
| Duration 1.5 to 2 years full-time 3 to 4 years part-time | | |
| Credit points 160 | | |
| Indicative fee \$4,500.00* per year (more) * 2024 indicative annual CSP fee | | |

Important Notes

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About this program

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The program covers the theory and practice of teaching concentrating on the characteristics of learners; the social and educational contexts of education; curriculum studies and professional experience in relevant settings.

Note: The Australian Federal Government has mandated that all students of initial teacher education programs demonstrate they have been assessed as being in the top 30% of the adult population for personal literacy and numeracy. The Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education (LANTITE) is administered and managed by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). While this is not a requirement for admission, all students will need to organise and demonstrate a pass result in all components of the LANTITE prior to graduation.

From 2025 all students will need to complete the LANTITE to be eligible to enrol into 7888EDN. There are four opportunities each year to sit LANTITE and students will need to plan ahead using the PEx calendar ([Calendars and Handbooks \(griffith.edu.au\)](#)) to avoid clashes with first year professional experience times.

Griffith University pays for the initial attempt for each component by preservice teachers who are currently enrolled in an initial education program at Griffith University. Preservice teachers should consult the ACER website for information about LANTITE testing, restrictions, and booking information at <https://teacheredtest.acer.edu.au/> Preservice teachers can find preparation materials for LANTITE on their program sites and on the ACER website.

The Bridging maths for aspiring educators course caters to all students who need to meet the maths subject prerequisite for Griffith Initial Teacher Education program. Successful completion means you could commence your studies in the next available trimester. * [\[Find out more\]](#)

Scholarships and support

Take advantage of both Griffith University and Government scholarships offering a range of benefits, from financial support, to mentoring, internships, and permanent employment opportunities.

Commonwealth Teaching Scholarships

Scholarships of up to \$40,000 for the Bachelor of Education, and \$20,000 for the Master of Primary Teaching or Master of Secondary Teaching, are available through the [Australian Government Commonwealth Teaching Scholarships Program](#).

Turn to Teaching Internship Program

Students eligible for enrolment in the Master of Primary Teaching or Master of Secondary Teaching have the opportunity to apply for the [Queensland Government Turn to Teaching Internship Program](#). Participants can fast-track their studies with financial assistance up to \$20,000 and a paid teaching internship, where you'll receive classroom support and gain valuable professional experience. You may also secure a permanent teaching position in a Queensland state school upon completion.

Griffith scholarships

There are a wide variety of [Griffith University scholarships](#) available, providing financial support and more while you study.

| Code | Program title | Campus | Intake |
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| 5587 | Master of Primary Teaching (this program) | Gold Coast, Mt Gravatt, Online | Trimester 1 only |
| 5700 | Master of Secondary Teaching | Gold Coast, Mt Gravatt, Online | Trimester 1 only |
| 4202 | Graduate Diploma of Learning and Teaching | Gold Coast, Mt Gravatt, Online | Exit point only |
| 3286 | Graduate Certificate in Learning and Teaching | Gold Coast, Mt Gravatt, Online | Exit point only |

*The Graduate Certificate in Learning and Teaching (3286) and the Graduate Diploma of Learning and Teaching (4202) do not lead to teacher registration.

*Note: Students exiting with either of these awards will have to reapply for admission via official admission channels if they wish to re-enter the Master of Primary Teaching.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

The Master of Primary Teaching program is offered full-time and part-time. For domestic students, it may be completed via in-person, on-campus mode or a combination of online, on-campus or fully online.

International students must complete 75% of the program via face-to-face on-campus. The program designates which courses may be completed online.

Professional experience is a mandated component of this program. The placements in primary schools are organised by the School of Education and Professional Studies. Upon enrolment into the program, students will be asked to provide information to facilitate their placements.

Compulsory Tutorial Attendance for All Professional Experience Courses

Students must reach an 80% threshold for tutorial attendance and active participation in the lead up to placement for all Professional Experience courses. Students who cannot attend the full tutorial and thus cannot actively participate during the tutorial will not be able to proceed with the placement and complete the course.

Please be aware that courses in this program may not follow the standard academic calendar. After you have completed your enrolment each trimester, please check your timetable on [myGriffith](#) for details of when classes commence and the duration of professional experience placements.

Managing Study Interruptions

Leave of Absence

Taking a leave of absence from this program is permitted, subject to conditions outlined in the Enrolment Procedure and receiving approval from the Program Director or their nominee.

Work-integrated learning

Students will undertake 12 weeks of supervised professional practice. Total work placement (hours): 450.

My career opportunities

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Graduates of the Master of Primary Teaching will be eligible to apply for registration with the Queensland College of Teachers and be prepared for teaching positions in the public or private sector which can lead to senior positions such as a head of department or principal.

Students wishing to seek teacher registration in another state or internationally should seek advice from the appropriate professional body.

Program accreditation

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The Master of Primary Teaching is accredited by the [Queensland College of Teachers \(QCT\)](#).

To obtain registration with the Queensland College of Teachers, graduating teachers must have evidence to demonstrate that their English language proficiency meets the minimum requirements for registration.

Placement requirements

Professional Practice requirements

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Working with Children Check (Blue Card)

Information for placements within Queensland

Before undertaking professional experience placements, all students in this program are required to:

- undergo the Working with Children Check and
- be issued with a Blue Card.

Students must hold a current valid Blue Card throughout the duration of each professional experience. Students may be asked to present their Blue Card to facility staff on the first day of each placement and should keep their Blue Card on them at all times while attending a professional experience placement.

The University is legally obliged to warn students that it is an offence for a disqualified person to submit a Blue Card application. Further information may be obtained from Queensland Government Blue Card Services, the Education Professional Experience Office or from any Griffith Student Centre.

Blue Card applications must be submitted online by the student via the [Queensland Government Blue Card Services](#) website. There is no fee for a student Blue Card.

What are the fees?

Commonwealth supported students

- The indicative fee represents the expected average fee for an annual full-time study load (80 credit points). This is based on average study patterns across courses and the Australian Government's broad discipline areas (student contribution bands). A student's actual annual fee may vary in accordance with his or her choice of majors and electives. The Australian Government sets student contribution amounts on an annual basis.
- [Find out more...](#)

Fee-paying postgraduate (domestic) students

Indicative annual tuition fee

The indicative annual tuition fee is calculated based on a standard full-time study load which is usually 80 credit points.

The indicative annual tuition fee is based on current conditions and available data and should only be used as a guide. These fees are reviewed annually and are subject to change.

Tuition fees

- A fee-paying postgraduate student pays tuition fees.
- Students are liable for tuition fees for the courses they are enrolled in as at the census date.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program prior to 2014 is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student commenced the program.
- The tuition fee for students who commence their program from 2014 onwards is charged according to the approved program fee for the trimester in which the student is enrolled.
- [Find out more...](#)

Tuition fees for your degree program

- [Calculating tuition fees](#)

Changing programs

If a postgraduate student changes to a different program they will be subject to the approved program fee for the trimester in which they are enrolled.

Further information

- [Calculating your EFTSL](#)
- [Fees and Charges Procedure](#)
 - [Fees and Charges Schedules](#)
- [Higher Education Loan Program \(HELP\)](#)
- [Financial help and support](#)

Additional fee information

This postgraduate program has **Commonwealth Supported Places**. If you are eligible, the Australian Government will contribute to the cost of this program but you will also be required to make a contribution.

Quotas are applied for admission to the Commonwealth Supported Places. Where demand exceeds the number of available places and all places have been filled for the current admission period, applicants who meet minimum program entry requirements may be eligible for a Fee-Paying Postgraduate place if such places are available. Please note that deferrals are not permitted for programs with Commonwealth Supported Places.

This program has been approved by the Australian Government for **student income support** (for example, Youth Allowance and Austudy). Students should contact [Centrelink](#) for more information about their eligibility for student income support payments.

Additional costs

Throughout your program you may be required to pay for the following items:

- Expenses associated with placements.