



Graduate Certificate in Special Needs Education (Domestic students)

Program code

3020

Available at

Online

Duration

1 year part-time

Credit points

40

Indicative fee

\$2,000.00* per year [\(more\)](#)

* 2024 indicative annual CSP fee

Admission requirements

Any Bachelor degree or higher

[\(more\)](#)

Commencing in

Trimester 1 and Trimester 2

Next start date

Trimester 2, 2024 [\(more\)](#)

Applications close

Monday, 24 June 2024

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About this program

Gain advanced tools for supporting students.

Do you work with or wish to work with students with special needs within primary, secondary and special schools? This program offers an evidence-based approach to equip you with the essential specialist knowledge and skills to engage with school staff and parents to better support the learning and behaviour of students with special needs.

Although this program does not qualify you as a teacher, it will be attractive to those already working with, or who wish to work with, students with special needs within a school setting. An evidence-based approach will equip you with essential specialist knowledge and skills to engage with school staff and parents in order to better support the learning and behavior of a diverse range of students with special needs.

Industry and expert connections

Learn alongside experienced teachers and educational professionals as you explore complex ideas around special needs education, growing your professional network in the process. You'll learn from experienced education academics in collaborative, online learning environments. Seminars, forums and groupwork assignments offer you opportunities to make connections with your student peers.

Graduate outcomes

You will find employment opportunities as an inclusion teacher, support teacher or special education teacher working in a range of educational settings. You will be able to advance your professional career to senior leadership positions in special and inclusive education.

Flexibility

Study anytime, anywhere - This degree is available online through our Digital campus, giving you more room to fit university with your work and social life.

Pursue further study

The courses in this graduate certificate may be credited towards a related graduate diploma or masters degree. Griffith's innovative [Credit Precedent Database](#) allows you to find out what credit decisions have been made in the past, which will give you an idea of what you can expect.

My attendance during the program

Attendance information

This program is offered in part-time mode only.

Work-integrated learning

The University supports its students to undertake work experience that complements their degree. Work experience is normally arranged by you with an employer you select but with approval from your Program Director.

My career opportunities

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Please note that this degree does not lead to teacher registration.

Key employment sectors

- Education and Training
- Health Care and Social Assistance
- Public Administration and Safety

Potential job outcomes

- Special education teacher
- Inclusion teacher
- Support teacher
- Special needs teacher
- Teacher of the hearing impaired
- Teacher of the sight impaired

**Source: [Australian Government Job Outlook](#).*

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.