

DIPLOMA IN ARTS/BACHELOR OF ARTS (PATHWAY TO TEACHING EARLY CHILDHOOD/PRIMARY) (6048)

Western Sydney University Program Code: 6048

AQF Level: 7

CRICOS Code: 111603E

This program is suspended from Term 1, 2025, no new students will be admitted from this session.

This program applies to students who commenced in Term 1 2023 or later.

Students should follow the program structure for the session start date relevant to the year they commenced.

For Commencement Year 2021 to 2022 - please refer to 6017 Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Birth-5/Birth-12). (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-birth-5-birth-12/#text>)

The Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Early Childhood/Primary) provides students with the opportunity to complete an Arts degree with an Arts major, alongside the specialist Birth-5/Birth-12 Education Studies minor.

Graduates of this degree are eligible for entry into the Master of Teaching (Birth - 5 Years / Birth - 12 Years) via the Transition to Teaching pathway. Completion of both the Bachelor and Master programs provides a teaching qualification for Early Childhood and Primary teaching. Eligible students will receive advice during their final study session in the Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Early Childhood/Primary) regarding how to accept an offer into the Postgraduate program to attain a teaching qualification.

The first year of this program is delivered by Western Sydney University The College, as an agent of Western Sydney University, via extended face-to-face hours in smaller learning environments. A Diploma in Arts exit point is also available at the end of the first year of the program.

Early Exit

Students may exit this program on completion of 110 credit points with a 7049 Diploma in Arts (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-arts/>).

Study Mode

Three years full-time or six years part-time. (Please note that there are no part-time offerings for the 1st year College Diploma component)

Program Advice

For program advice during Year 1, contact The College: College Program Enquiries (<https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/AdminApp@westernsydney.edu.au>)

For program advice during Years 2 and 3, contact the School of Humanities & Communication Arts: Program Advice (<https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/email/enquiriesHCA@westernsydney.edu.au>)

Prospective students should visit the following websites for general enquiries about this program.

Enquire about this program (<https://enquiry.westernsydney.edu.au/courseenquiry/>) | Local Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/>) | International Admission (<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/home/apply/admissions/>) |

Location

Campus	Attendance	Mode	Advice
Bankstown City Campus ^{1 2}	Full Time	Internal	See above
Bankstown City Campus	Part Time	Internal	See above
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road ²	Full Time	Internal	See above
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Part Time	Internal	See above
Penrith Campus ²	Full Time	Internal	See above
Penrith Campus	Part Time	Internal	See above
The College - Nirimba Education Precinct ¹	Full Time	Internal	See above

¹ Prior to Term 2 2025, students will study at WSU - The College Bankstown City Campus or Nirimba Education Precinct in their first year of study.

From Term 2 2025, students will study at Bankstown City campus only in their first year of study.

² From second year onwards, students will study at either Bankstown City, Parramatta - Victoria Road or Penrith campus.

Work Integrated Learning

Western Sydney University seeks to enhance student learning experiences by enabling students to engage in the culture, expectations and practices of their profession or discipline. This program includes a placement or other community-based unpaid practical experience.

There is a mandatory work component required for completion of this program. Please contact the Program Advisor listed above for information.

International students should also refer to the link below for more information and a link to the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS).

Work Integrated Learning (WIL) for international students (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/services_and_facilities/international_student_support/working_in_australia/work_integrated_learning/)

Admission

For more information on applying please see link to The College admission pages below.

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/how_to_apply (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/how_to_apply/)

Domestic students are required to have:

- Completed an English unit in the NSW Higher School Certificate, OR

- Competency in English at IELTS 6.0 equivalent (unless a native speaker) OR
- Passed The College English test at IELTS 6.0 equivalent OR
- Passed The College Foundation Studies Academic English unit at C grade level or higher.

Met other entry requirements such as:

- An ATAR identified prior to the offer of a place, OR
- Completed The College Foundation Studies course with a Grade Point Average of 5.5 or higher.

International students must satisfy one of the following language requirements:

- IELTS 6.0 with a minimum 5.5 in each sub band OR
- Completed the College EAP 4 course with a 50% pass OR
- Passed The College English test at IELTS 6.0 equivalent OR
- Passed The College Foundation Studies Academic English unit at C grade level or higher for which advanced standing can be applied for.

Academic Entry Requirements vary according to country of origin. However, in general:

- Completion of Year 12 or its equivalent is the minimum entry requirement OR
- Completed The College Foundation Studies course with a Grade Point Average of 5.5 or higher.

Special Requirements

TEAC 2023 Engaging in Early Childhood Education requires completion of Working with Children Check, Child Protection Awareness Training and ASCIA e-Anaphylaxis online training for education and care prior to enrollment in the subject.

Program Structure

Western Sydney University The College subjects

Nirimba and Bankstown City campuses.

Students must pass all College Preparatory subjects before progressing to the Year Two subjects.

Year One – College Subjects

Standard 3 Term – 110 Credit Points

Subject	Title	Credit Points
First term of study		
LANG 0003	Academic English (WSTC Prep)	10
LANG 0009	Academic Skills for Arts (WSTC Prep)	10
COMM 0011	Texts and Communication (WSTC Prep)	10
LANG 1032	Thinking Critically About Texts and Society (WSTC)	10
Second term of study		
LANG 1031	Foundations of Academic English (WSTC)	10
TEAC 2010	Contemporary Childhoods (WSTC)	10
HUMN 1056	Diversity, Language and Culture (WSTC)	10
Third term of study		
LANG 1016	Introduction to Literary Studies (WSTC)	10
TEAC 1025	Mathematical Patterns and Relationships (WSTC)	10
TEAC 1033	The Developing Child (WSTC)	10

HUMN 1067	Introduction to Culture and Society (WSTC)	10
Total Credit Points		110

Students may exit at this point and graduate with the Diploma in Arts following a passing grade in all of the above subjects. Students who progress onto Year Two may also be awarded the Diploma if they gain a passing grade in all of the above subjects.

Students must pass at least 70 credit points of University level subjects in Year One before progressing to the Year Two subjects.

In order to ensure that Bachelor of Arts students meet the program requirements, all students must seek advice from their Academic Program Advisor when transitioning to the second year of their program.

Equivalent subjects

The subject listed below count towards completion of this program for students who passed this subject in 2022 or earlier.

HUMN 1018 Everyday Life (WSTC), replaced by subject HUMN 1067 (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/search/?P=HUMN%201067>) Introduction to Culture and Society (WSTC)

LANG 0003 - Academic English (WSTC Prep), replaced by LANG 0056 (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/search/?P=LANG%200056>) Advanced Communication for Social Science (WSTC Prep)

Western Sydney University subjects

Bankstown City, Parramatta (Victoria Road) and Penrith campuses.

Qualification for this award then requires the successful completion of a further 160 credit points including the subjects listed in the recommended sequence tab.

All students must enroll in and complete:

- 40 credit point Core
- 80 credit points Bachelor of Arts Major
- 40 credit points Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Teaching Minor

Depending on the Bachelor of Arts major chosen, students may need to complete 20 credit points of flexible subjects. Students must complete 60 credit points at Level 3 or higher.

Core Subjects

Subject	Title	Credit Points
HUMN 1013	Contextualising Indigenous Australia (Day Mode)	10
TEAC 2001	Active and Healthy Childhoods	10
TEAC 2023	Engaging in Early Childhood Education	10
And students must select one subject in the following engaged learning pool:		10
BEHV 3013	Humanities Internship	
BEHV 3026	Service Learning	
HUMN 3103	Group Project	
HUMN 3106	Study Tours	
HUMN 3108	We Are The University: Students Co-creating Change	
TEAC 2062	Teachers as Change Makers	
Total Credit Points		40

Bachelor of Arts Majors

Arabic, Major (0003) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/arabic-major/>)

Childhood Studies, Major (0330) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/childhood-studies-major/>)

Chinese, Major (0004) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/chinese-major/>)

Creative Writing, Major (0005) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/creative-writing-major/>)

Culture and Society, Major (0264) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/culture-society-major/>)

Drama, Major (0380) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/drama-major/>)

English, Major (0009) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/english-major/>)

History and Political Thought, Major (0013) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/history-political-thought-major/>)

Indigenous Australian Studies, Major (0015) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/indigenous-australian-studies-major/>)

Indonesian, Major (0309) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/indonesian-major/>)

International English, Major (0018) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/international-english-major/>)

International Relations and Asian Studies, Major (0019) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/international-relations-asian-studies-major/>)

Islamic Studies, Major (0020) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/islamic-studies-major/>)

Japanese, Major (0021) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/japanese-major/>)

Linguistics, Major (0022) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/linguistics-major/>)

Music Performance, Major (0023) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/music-performance-major/>)

Musicology, Major (0025) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/musicology-major/>)

Philosophy, Major (0028) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/philosophy-major/>)

Psychological Studies, Major (0029) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/psychological-studies-major/>)

Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Teaching, Minor

Subject	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 7057	Becoming an Exemplary Teacher	10
TEAC 7015	Children, Families, Communities	10
TEAC 7156	Aboriginal Education: Past, Present and Future	10
TEAC 7022	Creative Teaching and Learning	10

Recommended Sequence

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 270 credit points as per the recommended sequence below.

Students may be required to travel to different Western Sydney University campuses to complete the elements of their program.

Full-time start year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 2		
Autumn session		
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one BA Major Subject		10
TEAC 2001	Active and Healthy Childhoods	10
TEAC 2023	Engaging in Early Childhood Education	10
Credit Points		40
Spring session		
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one BA Major Subject or elective if completing Childhood Studies Major		10
HUMN 1013	Contextualising Indigenous Australia (Day Mode)	10
Credit Points		40
Year 3		
Autumn session		
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one Core subject from the Engaged Learning pool		10
Select one Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Minor Subject		10
Select one Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Minor Subject		10
Credit Points		40
Spring session		
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one BA Major Subject or elective if completing Childhood Studies Major		10
Select one Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Minor Subject		10
Select one Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Minor Subject		10
Credit Points		40
Total Credit Points		160

Full-time mid year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 2		
Spring session		
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one BA Major Subject or elective if completing Childhood Studies Major		10
HUMN 1013	Contextualising Indigenous Australia (Day Mode)	10
Credit Points		40
Autumn session		
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one BA Major Subject		10
TEAC 2001	Active and Healthy Childhoods	10

TEAC 2023	Engaging in Early Childhood Education	10
Credit Points		40
Year 3		
Spring session		
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one BA Major Subject or elective if completing Childhood Studies Major		10
Select one Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Minor Subject		10
Select one Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Minor Subject		10
Credit Points		40
Autumn session		
Select one BA Major Subject		10
Select one Core subject from the Engaged Learning pool		10
Select one Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Minor Subject		10
Select one Education Studies - Early Childhood/Primary Minor Subject		10
Credit Points		40
Total Credit Points		160