

MASTER OF EDUCATION (1911)

Approved Abbreviation: MEd

Western Sydney University Program Code: 1911

AQF Level: 9

This program applies to students who commenced in 2022 or later.

The Master of Education critically examines recent developments in theory, policy, practice and methodologies for research for educators across early childhood, primary, secondary, tertiary, TAFE, community-based and other professional settings. Students will develop knowledge of research principles and practices and review and evaluate theory and scholarship in their area of specialisation. They will apply concepts and theories to new bodies of knowledge and practice; design original evidence-based investigations; and analyse and synthesise a range of data about complex problems in order to reframe problems and generate solutions. Students will develop and evaluate innovations to improve learning outcomes in workplace settings, communicate their findings to diverse audiences and contribute to scholarship in their specialisation. This program is delivered online.

Early Exit

Students may exit this program on completion of 40 credit points with a 1913 Graduate Certificate in Education (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/graduate-certificate-education/>)

Study Mode

Three years part-time.

Program Advice

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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
Online	Part Time	Online	See above
Vietnam Campus*	Part Time	Internal	See above

* Programs delivered through an agreement with another party

Admission 2022

Applicants for admission into the Master of Education must have successfully completed

- an undergraduate degree, or higher, in teaching/education (an undergraduate degree in teaching includes the historical 2-3 year Diploma of Teaching/Education prior to 1987); Or
- undergraduate degree, or higher, in political science, policy studies, health, human welfare studies and services, or behavioural science AND 5 years' professional work experience in these fields.

Applicants seeking admission on the basis of work experience must support their application with a Statement of Service for all work experience listed on the application.

Statement of Service form (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/content/dam/digital/pdf/Statement_of_Service.PDF)

Applications from Australian and New Zealand citizens and holders of permanent resident visas must be made via the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC). Use the links below to apply via UAC or Western Sydney University. Applications made directly to Western Sydney do not have an application fee.

Applicants who have undertaken studies overseas may have to provide proof of proficiency in English. Local and International applicants who are applying through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on the UAC website. Local applicants applying directly to the University should also use the information provided on the UAC website.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>
<https://westernsydney.uac.edu.au/ws/>

Overseas qualifications must be deemed by the Australian Education International - National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) to be equivalent to Australian qualifications in order to be considered by UAC and Western Sydney University.

Admission 2023

Applicants for admission into the Master of Education must have successfully completed either:

- an undergraduate degree, or higher, in teaching/education (an undergraduate degree in teaching includes the historical 2-3 year Diploma of Teaching/Education prior to 1987); Or
- undergraduate degree in any discipline and five years' full time equivalent professional work experience in a field considered by the School to be appropriate to the study program and specialisation.

Applicants seeking admission on the basis of work experience must support their application with a Statement of Service for all work experience listed on the application.

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Credit for Prior Learning

Students with a postgraduate (Level 8) qualification OR a bachelor qualification (Level 7) plus three years full-time work (or part-time equivalent) work experience in the fields of teaching/education, can apply for up to 40 credit points of Credit for Prior Learning.

Program Structure

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 120 credit points which include the subjects listed in the recommended sequence.

To qualify for this award, students must complete:

- 30 credit points of standard core subjects,
- 10 credit points of functionally equivalent core subjects,
- one 40 credit point testamur major, and
- 40 credit points of alternate/specialisation subjects selected from the Alternate subject pool or major subjects.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Standard Core Subjects		
CEDS 7003	Research Methods in Education	10
TEAC 7115	Researching Practice	10
TEAC 7111	Professional Project	10
Functionally Equivalent Core Subjects		
Select one of the following:		10
TEAC 5023	Mental Health in Educational Contexts	
TEAC 7100	Principles and Practices of Evaluation	
HUMN 7027	Leading Change	
TEAC 7051	Inclusive Environments	

Majors

Students must complete four subjects from ONE of the following majors

- Career Education, Testamur Major (T150) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/career-education-pg-testamur-major/>)
- Leadership, Testamur Major (T136) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/leadership-pg-testamur-major/>)
- Leadership and Management, Testamur Major (T139) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/leadership-management-pg-testamur-major/>)
- Learner Wellbeing, Testamur Major (T137) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/learner-wellbeing-pg-testamur-major/>)
- Mathematics Education, Testamur Major (T138) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/mathematics-education-pg-testamur-major/>)
- STEM, Testamur Major (T135) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/majors-minors/stem-pg-testamur-major/>)

Please note: Career Education, Testamur Major (T150) is a new major commencing Autumn 2023.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Alternate Subjects Pool		
Students must complete 40 credit points of alternate subjects chosen from the Major subjects listed above and/or the alternate subjects pool listed below (can be a combination of both lists).		40
ECON 7001	Economics	
BUSM 7086	Strategic Business Management	
BUSM 7011	Business Operations and Logistics	
BUSM 7053	International Finance	
ACCT 7012	Corporate Finance	
TEAC 7084	Person-Centred Practice	
TEAC 7144	Technology Assisting Learning	
TEAC 7029	Disability in Context	
TEAC 7150	Universal Design for Learning	

Note: Education Major subjects are offered in alternate years. Students select from the subjects on offer in each semester/year of enrolment.

Early Exit

Students may exit with a Graduate Certificate in Education on the successful completion of 40 credit points from the major subjects. Refer to link below for structure requirements for this exit award.

Graduate Certificate in Education (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/graduate-certificate-education-exit-only/>)

Recommended Sequence

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Semester 1		
One major subject		10
One major subject or alternate subject		10
Semester 2		
One major subject or alternate subject		10
One major subject or functionally equivalent core subject		10
Credit Points		40
Year 2		
Semester 1		
One major subject or functionally equivalent core subject		10
One major subject or alternate subject		10
Semester 2		
CEDS 7003	Research Methods in Education	10
One major subject or alternate subject		10
Credit Points		40
Year 3		
Semester 1		
TEAC 7115	Researching Practice	10
One major subject or alternate subject		10
Semester 2		
TEAC 7111	Professional Project	10
One major subject or alternate subject		10
Credit Points		40
Total Credit Points		120

Recommended Sequence (for students with 40 credit points of advanced standing and require 80 credit points to successfully complete this program)

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Semester 1		
One major subject		10
One major subject or functionally equivalent core subject		10
Semester 2		
CEDS 7003	Research Methods in Education	10
One major subject		10
Credit Points		40
Year 2		
Semester 1		
TEAC 7115	Researching Practice	10
One major subject		10
Semester 2		
TEAC 7111	Professional Project	10
One major subject		10
Credit Points		40
Total Credit Points		80