

# BACHELOR OF ARTS (PATHWAY TO TEACHING PRIMARY) DEAN'S SCHOLARS (1822)

**Approved Abbreviation:** BA(TchPrmry)DS  
**Western Sydney University Program Code:** 1822  
**AQF Level:** 7

**CRICOS Code:** 097516C

This program applies to students who commenced in 2020 or later.

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

For Commencement Year Spring 2018 to Spring 2019 - please refer to 1822.2 Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) Dean's Scholars (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1822.2>)

For Commencement Year 2017 to Autumn 2018 - please refer to 1822.1 Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) Dean's Scholars (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/course.aspx?course=1822.1>)

The BA (Pathway to Teaching Primary) Dean's Scholars is a three year degree for high achieving students specially designed to lead into the Master of Teaching (Primary), an accredited postgraduate teaching qualification. Together, the two degrees provide direct access to a teaching career in four years and improved prospects for career advancement. The Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) Dean's Scholars component provides a focussed study in a Major content discipline of your choice as well as the opportunity to study an Education Studies Major as a Primary Teaching Specialisation in either English, Mathematics or Science.

This degree is exclusively for high-achieving students.

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

## Study Mode

Three years full-time or six years part-time.

## Program Advice

[enquiriesHCA@westernsydney.edu.au](mailto: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 Campus                  | Full Time  | Internal | See above |
| Bankstown Campus                  | Part Time  | Internal | See above |
| Bankstown City Campus (from 2023) | Full Time  | Internal | See above |
| Bankstown City Campus (from 2023) | Part Time  | Internal | See above |
| Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road | Full Time  | Internal | See above |
| Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road | Part Time  | Internal | See above |
| Penrith Campus                    | Full Time  | Internal | See above |
| Penrith Campus                    | Part Time  | Internal | See above |

## Admission

Assumed knowledge: two units of HSC English.

ATAR score of at least 90 required.

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

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

Applicants who have undertaken studies overseas may have to provide proof of proficiency in English. Local 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.

International students currently completing an Australian Year 12 in or outside Australia, an International Baccalaureate in Australia or a New Zealand National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) level 3 must apply via UAC International.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>

All other International applicants must apply directly to the University via the International Office.

International students applying to the University through the International Office can find details of minimum English proficiency requirements and acceptable proof on their website.

International Office (<http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/international/>)

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.

## Program Structure

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 240 credit points with no less than 60 credit points at Level 3 or higher.

All students must enrol in and complete

- 40 credit points of Bachelor of Arts Core
- An 80 credit point Arts Major
- 20 credit points of electives
- An 80 credit point Education Studies - Primary Teaching Specialisation in either: English, Mathematics, or Science
- 20 credit points from the Bachelor of Arts Engaged Learning pool

## Core Components

The 40 credit points of core subjects are as follows.

| Subject                        | Title                                       | Credit Points |
|--------------------------------|---|---------------|
| <b>Year 1 BA Core Subjects</b> |   |               |
| HUMN 1052                      | Australian Politics and Active Citizenship  | 10            |
| HUMN 1053                      | Diversity, Language and Culture             | 10            |
| LANG 1029                      | Foundations of Academic English             | 10            |
| LANG 1030                      | Thinking Critically About Texts and Society | 10            |
| <b>Total Credit Points</b>     |   | <b>40</b>     |

## Education Studies - Primary Teaching Specialisation

All students must complete one of the following Education Studies – Primary Teaching Specialisations:

Education Studies - Primary English Teaching Specialisation, Major (0187) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/education-studies-primary-english-teaching-specialisation-major/>)

Education Studies - Primary Mathematics Teaching Specialisation, Major (0188) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/education-studies-primary-mathematics-teaching-specialisation-major/>)

Education Studies - Primary Science Teaching Specialisation, Major (0189) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/education-studies-primary-science-teaching-specialisation-major/>)

## Arts Majors

All students must complete one of the following Majors. Explanation of these Majors can be found via the links below and are available dependent on the campus of offering.

Note: Not all majors are available on all campuses, please check availability.

Note: The following Majors have inherent requirements: Arabic, Chinese and Japanese.

Click here for details of the Inherent Requirements ([https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent\\_requirements/inherent\\_requirements\\_for\\_languages\\_courses/](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/inherent_requirements_for_languages_courses/))

Anthropology, Major (0002) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/anthropology-major/>)

Arabic, Major (0003) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/arabic-major/>)

Childhood Studies, Major (0330) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/childhood-studies-major/>)

Chinese, Major (0004) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/chinese-major/>)

Creative Writing, Major (0005) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/creative-writing-major/>)

Culture and Society, Major (0264) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/culture-society-major/>)

English, Major (0009) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/english-major/>)

Geography and Urban Studies, Major (0010) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/geography-urban-studies-major/>)

History and Political Thought, Major (0013) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/history-political-thought-major/>)

Indigenous Australian Studies, Major (0015) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/indigenous-australian-studies-major/>)

Indonesian, Major (0309) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/indonesian-major/>)

International English, Major (0018) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/international-english-major/>)

International Relations and Asian Studies, Major (0019) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/international-relations-asian-studies-major/>)

Islamic Studies, Major (0020) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/islamic-studies-major/>)

Japanese, Major (0021) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/japanese-major/>)

Linguistics, Major (0022) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/linguistics-major/>)

Music Performance, Major (0023) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/music-performance-major/>)

Musicology, Major (0025) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/musicology-major/>)

Organisations and Work, Major (0026) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/organisations-work-major/>)

Philosophy, Major (0028) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/philosophy-major/>)

Psychological Studies, Major (0029) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/psychological-studies-major/>)

Sociology, Major (0030) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/sociology-major/>)

## Bachelor of Arts Engaged Learning Pool Level 3 Subjects

| Subject                      | Title  | Credit Points |
|------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Select two of the following: |  | 20            |
| 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 |               |
| <b>Total Credit Points</b>   |  | <b>20</b>     |

## Replaced Majors

The majors listed below count towards completion of this Program for students who began studying these majors prior to the years indicated below.

M1052 Cultural and Social Analysis, Major (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/specialisation.aspx?unitset=M1052.1>), replaced by Culture and Society, Major in 2021 (listed above).

M1054 History and Political Thought, Major (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/specialisation.aspx?unitset=M1054.1>), replaced by History and Political Thought, Major in 2021 (listed above).

M1129 International English, Major (<http://handbook.westernsydney.edu.au/hbook/specialisation.aspx?unitset=M1129.1>), replaced by International English, Major in 2021 (listed above).

Recommended Full-time Sequence

Note that the number of BA core subjects on offer in a session will vary depending on your campus of enrolment.

| Course                | Title  | Credit Points |
|-----------------------|--|---------------|
| <b>Year 1</b>         |  |               |
| <b>Autumn session</b> |  |               |
|                       | Select one BA core subject (Level 1)   | 10            |
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|                       | Select one BA core subject (Level 1) or Arts Major subject                                   | 10            |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject                     | 10            |
| <b>Credit Points</b>  |  | <b>40</b>     |
| <b>Spring session</b> |  |               |
|                       | Select one BA core subject (Level 1)   | 10            |
|                       | Select one BA core subject (Level 1) or Arts Major subject                                   | 10            |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject                     | 10            |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject/Elective            | 10            |
| <b>Credit Points</b>  |  | <b>40</b>     |
| <b>Year 2</b>         |  |               |
| <b>Autumn session</b> |  |               |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject                     | 10            |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject                     | 10            |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject                     | 10            |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject or elective subject | 10            |
| <b>Credit Points</b>  |  | <b>40</b>     |
| <b>Spring session</b> |  |               |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject                     | 10            |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject                     | 10            |
|                       | Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject                     | 10            |
|                       | Select one elective  | 10            |
| <b>Credit Points</b>  |  | <b>40</b>     |

## Year 3

### Autumn session

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject | 10 |
| Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject | 10 |
| Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject | 10 |
| Select one Engaged Learning Pool subject                                 | 10 |

**Credit Points 40**

### Spring session

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject | 10 |
| Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject | 10 |
| Select one Arts Major subject or Primary Teaching Specialisation subject | 10 |
| Select one Engaged Learning Pool subject                                 | 10 |

**Credit Points 40**

**Total Credit Points 240**