BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (EARLY CHILDHOOD) (1926)

Effective from: 2023
Approved Abbreviation: BEd(EarlyCh)
Western Sydney University Program Code: 1926
AQF Level: 7

CRICOS Code: 110869J

This program applies to students who commenced in 2023 or later. This program is only available to domestic student in 2023.

The Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood) is a 4 year degree specifically designed as an initial teacher qualification, equipping graduates with the specialist knowledge and skills to teach effectively in early childhood settings with children from Birth to 5 years. Students will attend an on-campus intensive workshop block prior to each professional practice placement. Students will also develop a professional e-portfolio throughout the course of the degree to demonstrate their capacity to work successfully as a graduate teacher.

Early Exits

Students may exit this program on completion of 160 credit points with a 1927 Associate Degree in Early Education (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/associate-degree-early-years-education-exit-only/).

Study Mode

Four years full-time and eight years part-time.

Program Advice

Denise Fraser (https://directory.westernsydney.edu.au/search/profile/3231/)

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
Campbelltown Campus	Full Time	Internal	See above
Campbelltown Campus	Part Time	Internal	See above

Accreditation

This program is accredited by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA). Graduates will meet Professional Teaching Standards for Graduate Teachers as required by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA).

Inherent Requirements

There are inherent requirements for this program that you must meet in order to complete your program and graduate. Make sure you read and understand the requirements for this program online.

Inherent Requirements (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/ir/inherent_requirements/

inherent_requirements_for_teaching_courses_postgraduate/master_of_teaching_birth_to_5_yearsbirth_to_12_years/)

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

Assumed knowledge: two units of HSC English and two units of HSC Mathematics

Recommended studies: HSC English Standard, HSC Mathematics or equivalent.

Credit for prior learning may be available to students with Diploma in Early Education and Care (or Equivalent) qualification.

Applicants who accept their offer will need to satisfactorily complete the online non-academic capabilities interview (QuEST).

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.

Special Requirements

Prior to enrolling in the professional experience subjects TEAC 2023 Engaging in Early Childhood Education, TEAC 3050 Professional Practice Birth - 3 Years, TEAC 4009 Professional Practice 3-5 years; students must:

- Satisfactorily complete the two components of the NSW Department of Education's Child Protection Awareness Training (CPAT) (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/soed/special_requirements/)

- Satisfactorily complete the two components of the Working with Children Check (WWCC) (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/soed/special_requirements/)
- Satisfactorily complete ASCIA Anaphylaxis e-training (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/schools/soed/special_requirements/)

Students must be COVID-19 fully vaccinated as per the NSW Public Health Order and NSW Department of Education requirement.

Students must update Child Protection Awareness Training annually and Anaphylaxis training bi-annually.

Program Structure

Qualification for this award requires the successful completion of 320 credit points which includes 28 core subjects and 4 elective subjects as listed in the recommended sequence below.

Recommended Sequence
Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
TEAC 1038	Literacy and Numeracy for Educators	10
TEAC 2009	Contemporary Childhoods	10
TEAC 1030	Science and Engineering in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 2065	Digital Childhoods	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
TEAC 1007	Creative Arts for Early Learning	10
TEAC 1032	The Developing Child	10
TEAC 2005	Learning Through Play	10
TEAC 2001	Active and Healthy Childhoods	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Autumn session		
TEAC 2021	Early Childhood Curriculum and Pedagogy	10
TEAC 2046	Pedagogy and Praxis in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education	10
TEAC 2015	Diversity and Difference	10
TEAC 2023	Engaging in Early Childhood Education	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
TEAC 2056	Teaching Art in the Early Years	10
TEAC 3005	Critical Literacies	10
TEAC 2024	Engaging with Children, Families, Colleagues and Communities	10
TEAC 3047	Pedagogical Leadership	10
Students may exit at this point and graduate with the 1927 Associate Degree in Early Years Education on successful completion of 160 credit points.		
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Autumn session		
TEAC 3049	Mathematics in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 3017	Learning Environments	10
TEAC 3012	Global and Community Citizenship in Early Childhood	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
TEAC 3009	Ethical Futures	10
TEAC 3026	Responsive Pedagogies	10
TEAC 3050	Professional Practice Birth - 3 Years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 4		
Autumn session		
TEAC 3028	Fostering Positive Behaviour in the Early Years	10
TEAC 4003	Early Literacies	10
TEAC 4018	Management and Administration in Early Childhood Settings	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
TEAC 4011	Inclusion in the Early years	10
TEAC 4004	Leadership in Practice Leadership, Research and Practice	10
TEAC 4009	Professional Practice 3-5 years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**320**

Full-time mid-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Spring session		
TEAC 1038	Literacy and Numeracy for Educators	10
TEAC 2001	Active and Healthy Childhoods	10
TEAC 1032	The Developing Child	10
TEAC 2005	Learning Through Play	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
TEAC 2009	Contemporary Childhoods	10
TEAC 1030	Science and Engineering in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 2046	Pedagogy and Praxis in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education	10
TEAC 2065	Digital Childhoods	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Spring session		
TEAC 1007	Creative Arts for Early Learning	10
TEAC 3005	Critical Literacies	10
TEAC 2024	Engaging with Children, Families, Colleagues and Communities	10
TEAC 3047	Pedagogical Leadership	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
TEAC 2056	Teaching Art in the Early Years	10
TEAC 2021	Early Childhood Curriculum and Pedagogy	10
TEAC 2015	Diversity and Difference	10
TEAC 2023	Engaging in Early Childhood Education	10

Students may exit at this point and graduate with the 1927 Associate Degree in Early Years Education on successful completion of 160 credit points

		Credit Points	40

Year 3
Spring session

Course	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 3009	Ethical Futures	10
TEAC 3026	Responsive Pedagogies	10
TEAC 3050	Professional Practice Birth - 3 Years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Autumn session

Course	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 3049	Mathematics in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 3017	Learning Environments	10
TEAC 3012	Global and Community Citizenship in Early Childhood	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Year 4
Spring session

Course	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 4011	Inclusion in the Early years	10
TEAC 4003	Early Literacies	10
TEAC 4018	Management and Administration in Early Childhood Settings	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Autumn session

Course	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 3028	Fostering Positive Behaviour in the Early Years	10
TEAC 4004	Leadership in Practice Leadership, Research and Practice	10
TEAC 4009	Professional Practice 3-5 years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**320**

Graduates of the TAFE Diploma in Education and Care

(Students can apply for up to 80 credit points of advanced standing)

Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
TEAC 1038	Literacy and Numeracy for Educators	10
TEAC 2009	Contemporary Childhoods	10
TEAC 1030	Science and Engineering in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 2065	Digital Childhoods	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
TEAC 2056	Teaching Art in the Early Years	10
TEAC 3005	Critical Literacies	10
TEAC 2024	Engaging with Children, Families, Colleagues and Communities	10
TEAC 3047	Pedagogical Leadership	10
	Credit Points	**40**

Year 2
Autumn session

Course	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 3049	Mathematics in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 3017	Learning Environments	10
TEAC 3012	Global and Community Citizenship in Early Childhood	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Spring session

Course	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 3009	Ethical Futures	10
TEAC 3026	Responsive Pedagogies	10
TEAC 3050	Professional Practice Birth - 3 Years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Year 3
Autumn session

Course	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 3028	Fostering Positive Behaviour in the Early Years	10
TEAC 4003	Early Literacies	10
TEAC 4018	Management and Administration in Early Childhood Settings	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Spring session

Course	Title	Credit Points
TEAC 4011	Inclusion in the Early years	10
TEAC 4004	Leadership in Practice Leadership, Research and Practice	10
TEAC 4009	Professional Practice 3-5 years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Full-time mid-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Spring session		
TEAC 1038	Literacy and Numeracy for Educators	10
TEAC 2056	Teaching Art in the Early Years	10
TEAC 2024	Engaging with Children, Families, Colleagues and Communities	10
TEAC 3047	Pedagogical Leadership	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
TEAC 2009	Contemporary Childhoods	10
TEAC 1030	Science and Engineering in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 2065	Digital Childhoods	10
TEAC 3017	Learning Environments	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Spring session		
TEAC 3009	Ethical Futures	10
TEAC 3005	Critical Literacies	10
Select two elective subjects		20
	Credit Points	**40**

Autumn session

TEAC 3012	Global and Community Citizenship in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 3049	Mathematics in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 4003	Early Literacies	10
TEAC 3028	Fostering Positive Behaviour in the Early Years	10
	Credit Points	**40**

Year 3

Spring session

TEAC 4011	Inclusion in the Early years	10
TEAC 3026	Responsive Pedagogies	10
TEAC 3050	Professional Practice Birth - 3 Years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**

Autumn session

TEAC 4018	Management and Administration in Early Childhood Settings	10
TEAC 4004	Leadership in Practice Leadership, Research and Practice	10
TEAC 4009	Professional Practice 3-5 years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**240**

Graduates of the TAFE Diploma in Education and Care including 3 years full time (or part time equivalent)

(Students can apply for up to 120 credit points of advanced standing)

Full-time start-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
TEAC 1038	Literacy and Numeracy for Educators	10
TEAC 2009	Contemporary Childhoods	10
TEAC 1030	Science and Engineering in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 2065	Digital Childhoods	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
TEAC 2056	Teaching Art in the Early Years	10
TEAC 3005	Critical Literacies	10
TEAC 2024	Engaging with Children, Families, Colleagues and Communities	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Autumn session		
TEAC 3049	Mathematics in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 3017	Learning Environments	10
TEAC 3012	Global and Community Citizenship in Early Childhood	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Spring session		
TEAC 4011	Inclusion in the Early years	10

TEAC 3047	Pedagogical Leadership	10
TEAC 3050	Professional Practice Birth - 3 Years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Autumn session		
TEAC 4003	Early Literacies	10
TEAC 4004	Leadership in Practice Leadership, Research and Practice	10
TEAC 4009	Professional Practice 3-5 years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**200**

Full-time mid-year intake

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Spring session		
TEAC 1038	Literacy and Numeracy for Educators	10
TEAC 2056	Teaching Art in the Early Years	10
TEAC 2024	Engaging with Children, Families, Colleagues and Communities	10
TEAC 3005	Critical Literacies	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
TEAC 2009	Contemporary Childhoods	10
TEAC 1030	Science and Engineering in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 2065	Digital Childhoods	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 2		
Spring session		
TEAC 4011	Inclusion in the Early years	10
TEAC 3047	Pedagogical Leadership	10
TEAC 3050	Professional Practice Birth - 3 Years	10
Select one elective		10
	Credit Points	**40**
Autumn session		
TEAC 3012	Global and Community Citizenship in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 3049	Mathematics in Early Childhood	10
TEAC 3017	Learning Environments	10
TEAC 4003	Early Literacies	10
	Credit Points	**40**
Year 3		
Spring session		
TEAC 4004	Leadership in Practice Leadership, Research and Practice	10
TEAC 4009	Professional Practice 3-5 years	10
Select two elective subjects		20
	Credit Points	**40**
	Total Credit Points	**200**

Recommended Minors

For the four elective subjects in the program, students may choose a minor. Recommended minors are:

Subject	Title	Credit Points

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

Choose at least two subjects from the following

COMM 1004	Approaches to Text	
LANG 1015	Introduction to Literary Studies	
LANG 2035	Methods of Reading	
LANG 3094	The Value of Literature	

The other two subjects may be selected from the above list or from the additional pool subjects for this minor.

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

Choose at least two subjects from the following core subjects

LANG 3016	Bilingualism and Biculturalism	
LANG 1014	Introduction to Linguistics	
LANG 2034	Meaning in Language	
LANG 3071	Second Language Acquisition	
LANG 2041	Structure of Language	
LANG 1028	The Sound of Language	

The other two subjects may be selected from the above list or from the additional pool subjects for this minor.

0045 Child and Community, minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/child-community-minor/)

Students must complete 40 credit points from the subjects listed below.

WELF 2002	Community Work & Development	
WELF 3006	Family Violence: Policy and Practice	
WELF 3021	Disability Rights, Policy and Governance	
WELF 1002	Context of Human Services	
CULT 1022	Working with Cultural Differences	
HUMN 2015	Community and Social Action	
HUMN 2025	Families and Intimate Life	
WELF 3001	Child Abuse as a Social Issue	
WELF 2001	Community Management and Organisations	

Minor elective spaces

Elective subjects may be used toward obtaining an additional approved minor (40 credit points). Western Sydney University offers minors in a range of areas including Sustainability and Indigenous Studies.

Global Sustainability Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/global-sustainability-minor/)
Indigenous Australian Studies Minor (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/indigenous-australian-studies-minor/)

Western Sydney University also offers the following innovative transdisciplinary minors which we encourage those students who have elective space to consider.

Equitable Technologies (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/equitable-technologies-minor/)
Urban Evolution (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/urban-evolution-minor/)

Migration and Global Change (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/migration-global-change-minor/)
Personal Innovation (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/personal-innovation-minor/)
Innovating, Creating and Problem Solving (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/innovating-creating-problem-solving-minor/)
Eco-Socially Conscious Design and Manufacturing (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/eco-socially-conscious-design-manufacturing-minor/)
Water for Life (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/water-life-minor/)
Climate Justice (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/climate-justice-minor/)
Global Workplaces (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/global-workplaces-minor/)
Innovating For Humans (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/innovating-humans-minor/)
Creative Living for Cultural Wellbeing (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/creative-living-cultural-wellbeing-minor-/)
Ideate.Strategise.Innovate. (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/ideate-strategise-innovate-minor/)
Humanising Data (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/humanising-data-minor/)

Search for majors and minors (https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/majors-minors/)

Students can apply for an elective minor via MySR.

MyStudentRecords (MySR) (https://student-selfservice.westernsydney.edu.au/StudentSelfService/ssb/studentCommonDashboard/)