

# TEAC 7084 PERSON-CENTRED PRACTICE

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 102166

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**Description** The shift in educational policy and legislation to one of inclusion has been accompanied by a move to models of service delivery which are person- and family-centred and which also recognise the need for tiers in intervention. Whilst the range of service delivery models currently operating across educational and community settings for varied levels of need and developmental stages will be explored and evaluated, emphasis will be given to person-centred practice. Through an analysis of the literature encompassing both evidence-based practice and practice-based evidence students will evaluate the implications of the model for individuals, families, teachers, other professionals, schools, services, their own practice and for systems practice.

**School** Education

**Discipline** Teacher Education: Special Education

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 1 10cp

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**Level** Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** Students enrolled in 1939 Bachelor of Education (Secondary) or 1876 Bachelor of Education (Primary) must successfully complete TEAC 3013 before enrolling in this subject

## Restrictions

Students must be enrolled in 8083 Bachelor of Research Studies; 1721 Graduate Certificate in Inclusive Education; 4700 Graduate Diploma in Health Science; 4698 Master of Health Science; 1911 Master of Education; 1720 Master of Inclusive Education; 1714 Master of Teaching (Secondary); 1847 Master of Education (STEM); 1876 Bachelor of Education (Primary) or 1939 Bachelor of Education (Secondary).

Students in program 1939 Bachelor of Education (Secondary) or 1876 Bachelor of Education (Primary) must have successfully completed 240cps before enrolling in this subject.

## Assumed Knowledge

Professionals with teaching or other relevant qualifications.

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Critique the range of service delivery models through an analysis of the research literature;
2. Apply the underlying philosophies of person-centred and family-centred practice to their own work with individuals with disabilities;
3. Determine the impact of the context in which they work to the implementation of person-centred practice;
4. Apply understandings of the issues arising at times of transition for individuals with disabilities and their families and work

collaboratively and systemically to achieve smooth transitions within and between services;

5. Evaluate the effectiveness of specific programs for individuals and families under the framework of person-centred and family-centred practice.
6. Develop, implement and evaluate person-centred programs.

## Subject Content

1. Historical review of approaches to designing and delivering educational and intervention programs across the lifespan;
2. The philosophy of empowerment: policy and practice;
3. Models of service delivery: Family-centred practice; person-centred practice; team around the child; multi-disciplinary, interdisciplinary, transdisciplinary and systems models;
4. The impact of context on service delivery: the ecology of service provision;
5. Evidence-based practice and practice-based evidence for the efficacy of person-centred and family-centred practice;
6. Person-centred practice in educational settings and the implications for individualised learning and teaching;
7. The challenge of transition between service models;
8. The role of the family and carers in person-centred models;
9. The role of the teacher and other professionals in developing and implementing person-centred models;
10. Brokerage models and the implications for the maintenance of professional expertise.

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Literature Review	2,500 words	50	N	Individual	N
Applied Project	2,500 words	50	N	Individual	N

Teaching Periods

## Autumn (2025)

### Online

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