2017 Degree and Diploma

Education and Teaching
RMIT – A Leader in Education and Teaching

RMIT is ranked among the top 200 universities in the world* for education studies. We are regarded for utilising new and established teaching methods and classroom technologies.

RMIT’s education and teaching programs are led by specialists with extensive practical experience in teaching, training and workforce development.

Your teacher education will include practical classroom experience with students across all sectors, where you will involve yourself in all aspects of the teaching cycle.

Industry Connected

RMIT is proud to be connected to a strong community of industry partners established over 50 years.

Many academics work with global institutions, enabling the University to develop an enviable range of industry-aligned courses. As a student you will learn by going through our professional experience program, and gain the practical skills to navigate a rapidly changing world before you graduate.

Global Outlook

Highly skilled teachers with globally recognised qualifications are always in demand.

At RMIT, you will have the opportunity to gain professional experience with students in Australia or overseas.

On successful completion of the Bachelor of Education and registration with the Victorian Institute of Teaching, graduates are entitled to register as teachers nationally and overseas.

Study in a Place that is Dedicated to Teacher Education

RMIT’s Bundoora and Brunswick campuses immerse you in a professional community that facilitates your learning and development.

The Bundoora Campus, in the north-eastern suburbs of Melbourne, is set in a tranquil parkland environment complete with outdoor sporting facilities.

The Brunswick Campus, six kilometres north of the city, is part of the creative and multicultural Sydney Road district, close to markets, eclectic shops, pubs, and a thriving art and music scene.

*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2015

Acknowledgement of Country

RMIT University acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nations as the traditional owners of the land on which the University stands. RMIT University respectfully recognises Elders both past and present. We also acknowledge the traditional custodians of lands across Australia where we conduct business, their Elders, Ancestors, cultures and heritage.
Imagine a career with creativity and passion, where no two days are the same and you go to bed knowing that you made an impact.

Everyone is searching for a career with meaning, and no career has more meaning than teaching.

Being an educator sets you up for a rewarding career that combines passion with purpose. From the early childhood educator who teaches children to experience learning through play, to the primary school teacher who guides students to complete complicated tasks and excites them about subjects they will take in high school, teachers and educators see the rewards of their work in their students’ learning and progress every day.

Become a Leader in Education

Education is one of the most powerful fields in transforming the lives of individuals, and giving them the tools to shape their future. In your teacher education studies at RMIT, you will gain the skills you need to make a real impact in the classroom and influence the future of education.

RMIT honours the rich traditions of the teaching profession while preparing you for the classroom of the future by combining technology with established best-practice teaching methods. RMIT programs are led by education specialists who have the extensive practical experience, valuable insights and understanding needed to guide you through your degree and into the classroom.

Throughout the course of your studies you will experience the many facets of teaching across all sectors. You will have opportunities to get a taste for educational systems globally by experiencing classrooms overseas, taking part in local school excursions, attending camps and leading lessons with the support and guidance of RMIT’s teacher mentors.

A Career Beyond the Classroom

A career in education is not limited to the classroom. Educators are needed in arts organisations, community centres and recreational facilities.

At RMIT, you will develop the skills you need to become a leader in education. Your understanding of how students learn, and your ability to create fun and engaging lessons, will allow you to take your teaching qualification beyond the classroom and into other areas you are passionate about, whether that’s working at the zoo, an art gallery, museum or a hospital.

“I never thought there were opportunities to work as a teacher in such unique learning environments, so it came as a surprise to me to be able to work as a teacher at the Royal Children’s Hospital. “It’s been an absolute joy to work at the hospital and assist in a small way that creates an environment where the children feel normal in a very abnormal situation.”

Oliver Harris
RMIT Alumnus
Teacher, Royal Children’s Hospital

View Oliver’s story: http://tinyurl.com/RMIT-Oliver-Harris
Why Become a Teacher?

Education shapes society, affects individuals and communities. It’s not too much of a stretch to say that without teachers, society would not be where it is today.

Motivations for Teaching

Your reasons for wanting to become a teacher can be a mix of your experience, values and aspirations. This data shows that most teachers are driven by the desire to make a difference.

Most Rewarding Part of Teaching

Teaching is a career that makes a positive impact on the lives of students. The most rewarding part of teaching differs from educator to educator but most agree the lightbulb moment with students is one that brings a lot of satisfaction.

Job Growth

The teaching industry is one that continues to grow. This data demonstrates the Victorian employment growth (per cent) for this occupation, compared with all occupations.

“Knowledge is power. Information is liberating. Education is the premise of progress, in every society, in every family.”

Kofi Annan
Former Secretary-General of the United Nations

Sourced from Department of Employment Australia, data from November 2014.
RMIT students who do their placement at Broadmeadows SDS are professional and prepared when they enter the classroom. They have the chance to work in a wide variety of professional settings, which is often very different from their other placements. “The strategies they learn during the placement are transferable to any school setting and give the chance for student teachers to consider how they may adapt their teaching for all students within any setting.”

Megan Adams
Assistant Principal, Broadmeadows Special Developmental School

Teaching Placement

RMIT’s professional experience program connects students and graduates with our extensive network of partner schools.

Students have the opportunity to take advantage of the university’s extensive network of partner schools that RMIT has cultivated during 50 years in teacher education.

As an education student and pre-service teacher, you will build professional experience through scheduled supervised teaching practice. Placements occur each year, culminating in a longer placement in your final year to prepare you to enter the workforce with confidence.

The teaching placement is a vital component of RMIT’s education degrees. It gives you a total school experience and is an invaluable insight into the diversity in practical teaching approaches and strategies used in schools and early childhood settings.

While on placement you will have the opportunity to put your learning into practice as you integrate theory into your lessons, and develop your practical teaching skills. You will leave the program with the confidence and skills you need to enter the workplace.

Your professional experience does not have to occur only in the classroom. You will have the opportunity to complete alternative professional placements in other educational settings, or combine a placement with travel to destinations such as Malaysia and Nepal or in Indigenous communities in the Northern Territory.
Early Childhood Education

Immerse yourself in the education of children during their early years, and support their growth in these key developmental stages.

The development of children from birth to age five covers some important milestones. As an early childhood educator, you will play an important role in a child’s development as you watch them discover how to walk, talk and learn.

**Pursue Passion with Purpose**

By creating a highly engaging classroom environment, you will be able to witness students under your care grow and thrive in early childhood settings.

Studying Early Childhood Education at RMIT will give you a deep understanding of children’s developmental stages and strong knowledge of play-based learning pedagogies. You will acquire skills to design high quality curricula that meets your students’ development and learning needs, including setting up learning opportunities for children with special needs.

The career outlook for early childhood educators has never been better. New government initiatives to increase provision of early childhood services have opened up many exciting career paths. As a four-year trained teacher you can work as a teacher or director in childcare, kindergarten, pre-prep and integrated services.

If this sounds like you, you may be interested in studying one of RMIT’s early childhood education programs.

For full program information, including entrance requirements, study tours and international opportunities please see:

- Bachelor of Education (Primary and Early Childhood Education)
  www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp046

If you already completed an Australian bachelor degree you may be eligible to study Master of Teaching Practice or Graduate Diploma in Education.

“I believe that the first five years of children’s lives are vital to support their holistic development. RMIT gave me self-confidence in building trustful relationships with parents, creating stimulating learning environments, understanding multicultural backgrounds and respecting diversity, as well as the chance to build collaborative connections with early childhood educators.”

**Rasha Grigis**
Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education)*

*This program has been replaced by the Bachelor of Education (Primary and Early Childhood Education).*
Primary Education

No day is the same in the life of a primary school teacher, as you use traditional teaching practices and emerging technology in the classroom to help students reach their full potential.

As a primary school teacher, you will make a positive impact on the development of your students as you design engaging lessons and shape the learning experiences of children from prep to grade six.

At RMIT, we pride ourselves on helping our students become leaders in education. We set out to prepare you with an in-depth understanding of the teaching cycle, and provide practical experience that allows you to try new ideas and approaches in the classroom, with the support of mentor teachers.

We work closely with partner schools to ensure our curriculum prepares our graduates for life in the classroom and as leaders of education.

Studying primary education allows you to fulfill your desire to make a difference in the lives of young people, while carving out an extremely rewarding career.

If this sounds like you, you may be interested in studying one of RMIT’s primary education programs.

For full program information, including entrance requirements, study tours and international opportunities please see:

- Bachelor of Education (Primary Education)
  www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp046
- Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary Education)
  www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp046

With over 50 years of experience in teaching future teachers, RMIT is proud to produce graduates who are work-ready and able to make an impact in the classroom.

“I decided to study education so I could inspire students to become lifelong learners, love school and value their education. A career in education provides such freedom, development and the opportunity to explore unique niches. I feel comfortable knowing that my opportunities are endless with a degree from RMIT.”

Tiffany Holland
Bachelor of Education (Primary)
Disability Studies Stream

Make an impact in the lives of young people with a disability with a specialised degree.

Develop the skills needed to teach learners with a range of needs and abilities in dedicated schools or designing inclusive learning environment in mainstream primary schools with the Bachelor of Education disability studies stream.

There is increasing need for teachers to understand and adapt classroom settings to meet the needs of all learners. This degree provides you with the in-depth knowledge you need to create learning experiences to meet the needs of all students within your classroom.

Upon graduation, you will have a deep knowledge of diversity and the skills to create authentic learning experiences for all students. You will have the confidence and practical skills needed to develop inclusive teaching strategies for students with a disability, design inclusive curriculum and work with disability support networks.

If this sounds like you, you may be interested in studying a disability stream in RMIT’s Primary Education program.

For full program information, including entrance requirements, study tours and international opportunities please see:

— Bachelor of Education
  www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp046

“An inclusive classroom is one where the learning needs of every single child is respected and understood. Students who specialise in disability studies will be able to identify and recognise what these needs are and how they can make every effort to meet them.

“The beauty of this qualification is that graduates of this program and specialisation can work in any sector of education. This is because principals are recognising the importance of having teaching staff with a special learning needs specialisation.”

Phil Doecke
RMIT Program Coordinator
Bachelor of Education
“A career in education is infinitely rewarding and each day brings new and exciting challenges. My advice to anyone considering Education is to go for it. As challenging as the teaching profession is, at the end of the day it’s extremely rewarding.”

Courtney Fletcher
Bachelor of Education and Applied Science (Disability)*

*This program has been replaced by the Bachelor of Education.
Health and Physical Education

Health and physical education is all about physical fitness, sport, recreation and health. It takes an understanding of these areas to encourage students to embrace healthy lifestyles.

What Do Health and Physical Education Teachers Do?

Health and physical education teachers work with primary and secondary students to build their knowledge and understanding of health and physical activities. Health and physical education also covers areas such as self-esteem and interpersonal skills, as these are integral to healthy lives.

As a health and physical education teacher, you will teach the basic techniques and skills associated with team and individual sports, as well as recreational activities such as canoeing and bushwalking. You will also teach students about community and personal health issues. Coaching, health and fitness promotion and sport education for school and community based groups might be just some of your responsibilities.

If this sounds like you, you may be interested in studying RMIT’s Bachelor of Applied Science (Health and Physical Education)

For full program information, including entrance requirements, study tours and international opportunities please see:

– Bachelor of Applied Science (Health and Physical Education)
  www.rmit.edu.au/programs/bp041

This program prepares you for a career as a specialist physical education teacher. You will be qualified to teach in both primary and secondary schools.

As a physical education student, you won’t have to leave campus to access sporting facilities. Apart from Bundoora Netball and Sports Centre, you can also use two new playing fields (including a FIFA-rated soccer pitch) and a 4-lane athletics track. Indoors, you will also have access to RMIT’s state-of-the-art human physiology laboratories.
Support the next generation of teachers by providing assistance where it's needed most!

RMIT’s Certificate IV in Education Support is for people wanting to work in a diverse range of education settings and roles, including public and independent schools and community education. Education Support professionals provide assistance and support to teachers and learners.

In this program you will develop the essential skills you need to work with teachers and students across community and school settings. Working in Education Support you will make an impact in the classroom as you provide specialist assistance to students and guide them to understand key concepts and learning across the curriculum.

While studying, you will have the chance to experience life in the classroom as you participate in a practical placement with the assistance of a supervisor. This practical experience will allow you to experience the breadth and variety of your future profession.

As an education support worker, you may also choose to continue your education and become a teacher.

If this sounds like you, you may be interested in studying RMIT’s Certificate IV in Education Support.

For full program information, including entrance requirements, study tours and international opportunities please see:

— Certificate IV in Education Support
National Curriculum Code: CHC40213
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/c4349

RMIT’s Certificate IV in Education Support will give you the skills you need to support teachers and make an impact in the classroom.

PATHWAY TO TEACHING

Successful completion of Certificate IV of Education Support may also provide a pathway into further study in the areas of primary or early childhood education.

“What inspired me to study to be an education support worker was knowing that once I have completed the course, I can get a job in the field that will allow me to work with students and assist them with their learning.

“I believe that all children deserve an education and this is such a great career to pursue because I will be making an impact on students’ lives by helping to educate them.”

Zeinab Ibrahim
Certificate IV in Education Support
Furthering Your Education

Postgraduate Opportunities

Whether you are looking to become a secondary teacher, strengthen your teaching career, or deepen your knowledge, RMIT can take you where you want to go with our range of postgraduate qualifications.

If you have already completed an Australian bachelor degree you might be eligible to study a Master of Teaching Practice in Secondary or Primary Education or Graduate Diploma in Early Childhood Education.

If this sounds like you, you may be interested in studying RMIT’s postgraduate education programs.

For full program information, including entrance requirements, study tours and international opportunities please see:

- Master of Teaching Practice (Primary Education)
  www.rmit.edu.au/programs/mc219

- Master of Teaching Practice
  www.rmit.edu.au/programs/mc220

- Graduate Diploma in Education (Early Childhood)
  www.rmit.edu.au/programs/gd108
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Jacky Burton
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The Knox School

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High up in the Nepalese mountains, in the small rural village of Astam, Sarah Whaleboat (back row, second from right) shared many cultural similarities that helped create strong bonds with the students at Shree Bhumeshwor School.

“Although the first couple of days were hard but I eventually realised I wanted to give as much as I could for the short time I was there. I shared my Torres Strait Islander Culture book and I could see that we could relate to similar things in our culture, such as basket weaving and cultural food.”

Sarah Whaleboat
Bachelor of Education and Applied Science (Disability)*

*This degree has been replaced by the Bachelor of Education.
FEES EXPLAINED

Fee information relates to 2017 and should only be used as a guide. Fees are set on an annual basis and may be subject to change each calendar year.

www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees

Tuition Fees for Certificates, Diplomas and Advanced Diplomas

The tuition fees you pay depend on whether you are offered a government–subsidised place or a full-fee place, based on the eligibility criteria.

Victorian Government–Subsidised Places

For eligible students, this training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth Government funding. Tuition fees for a government-subsidised place vary according to each program. For a full list of program fees for a government-subsidised place visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees/vocational/govtsub.

You will be offered a government-subsidised place if you meet the eligibility criteria based on your financial situation, age, prior education, the number of programs you are studying in the current year and the number of government-subsidised programs you have commenced in your lifetime at each level.


If you are applying for a government-subsidised place, you will be required to provide documentation to establish your eligibility.

You will be enrolled according to how qualifications are defined in the relevant industry training package. This may impact on your eligibility for a government-subsidised place for individual qualifications.

For more information visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/vocational/eligibility.

FEE-HELP

You may be entitled to defer payment of the student contribution through the FEE-HELP loan scheme if you are an Australian citizen or holder of an Australian Permanent Humanitarian Visa. You must pay your student contribution up front if you are a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident (other than Australian Permanent Humanitarian Visa holder). For more information visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees/helploans/fec-help.

Full-Fee Places

Students in full-fee places are required to pay a tuition fee that covers the full tuition costs of their program. Financial assistance may be available through the FEE-HELP scheme. The tuition fees vary depending on each program and are adjusted on an annual basis. Visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees for more information.

FEE-HELP

FEE-HELP is an optional loan scheme that assists eligible students to defer payment of up to 100 per cent of their tuition fees. To learn more about FEE-HELP visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees/helploans/fee-help.

Other Fees

In addition to tuition fees, you will be charged a student services and amenities fee (SSAF). Eligible higher education students will be able to defer payment of the fee through SA-HELP.

For more information visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees/ssaf.

You may also be required to purchase items related to your program, including field trips, specified textbooks and equipment. These expenses vary from program to program.

For more information visit www.rmit.edu.au/programs/fees/other.

HOW TO APPLY

Before applying for a program at RMIT, refer to the program information available at www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us. All the information you need to apply is at www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/applying-to-rmit.

How to Apply by Program and Student Type

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*Some certificate III and below programs are administered by direct application. This will be explained in the individual program information available at www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us.

Current Year 12 Students

If you are a current Year 12 student applying for Semester 1, you must apply through VTAC for all programs except some that are certificate III and below, which may require you to submit an RMIT school-based application.

Non-Year 12 Students

If you are a non-Year 12 student applying for Semester 1, you must apply for degrees and associate degrees through VTAC but have the choice of applying for certificate IV, diploma and advanced diplomas either through VTAC or direct to RMIT. Please select one application method only.

RMIT Students and Recent Graduates

Current RMIT students and recent graduates can fast-track their application for a new program by applying directly to RMIT as an internal applicant.

Selection Tasks

Many programs at RMIT have selection tasks as part of the selection process, such as:

— an interview
— a test
— a folio
— a supplementary form or pre-selection kit

It is very important that you carefully read any instructions to complete a program’s selection tasks. Selection tasks are listed under programs on the VTAC or the RMIT websites. These selection tasks are compulsory. Applications without selection tasks will not be considered.

Study Scores

Study scores listed in this guide are subject to change.

Entry Requirements

To be considered for admission, you must meet RMIT University entry requirements as well as specific program entry requirements. For more information please refer to the program information available on the RMIT website.

www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us

Mid-Year Entry (Semester 2)

Not all RMIT programs will accept applications for mid-year entry. A list of programs accepting mid-year applications is published in May on the RMIT website.

www.rmit.edu.au/midyear

SCHOLARSHIPS

RMIT offers more than 2000 coursework and research scholarships to vocational and higher education students. Equity scholarships provide an opportunity for students who have experienced financial or educational disadvantage to achieve their academic goals, whilst merit scholarships recognise and award outstanding academic success.

www.rmit.edu.au/scholarships

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