Master of Teaching

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Why become a teacher?

Change a child’s life for the better

Think about your most inspiring teacher... how they made you feel. You could become that teacher and influence not just one, but hundreds or even thousands of young lives for the better.

Job Security

Becoming a teacher means you’re joining an industry with long-term career prospects.

Projected employment growth in teaching is strong through to November 2026:

- Early Childhood Teachers – 21.6%
- Middle School Teachers – 21%
- Special Education Teachers – 13.5%
- Primary School Teachers – 5.1%
- Secondary School Teachers – 3.7%

Source: 2022 National Skills Commission Projections

Be job ready in 1.5 – 2 years

If you already hold a degree, you may be eligible to study our two-year Master of Teaching, or one of our accelerated 1.5-year degrees, which prepare graduates to enter the teaching profession with confidence and competence.

Every day is full of variety

In teaching, no two days are the same. Your students will have different questions, viewpoints and needs daily, and you will have the ability to add your own style and delivery to a curriculum constantly evolving based on the latest research and requirements.

Flexibility

Teaching is often seen as a great choice for parents or parents-to-be, with 10 weeks of holidays per year enabling those with school-aged children to spend plenty of time together. Teaching can also take you anywhere. You can move around the world for your work and experience the wonders of travelling.

You’ll never stop learning

With ongoing professional development, you’ll continue to learn and stay at the top of your game. Children and young people will constantly challenge and amaze you with their questions, and as the world changes, you’ll have the opportunity to review and incorporate new research and technology into your classes.

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### Master of Teaching (Primary)

Graduates who wish to teach at the primary school level can undertake a Master of Teaching (Primary). Both the 1.5 year accelerated course and the 2-year equivalent provide you with the background necessary to apply for registration as a teacher and includes a rigorous course of education and professional studies integrated with professional practice. Graduates will understand the world from multiple viewpoints and possess the relational sensitivity, competency and imagination to evaluate and adapt to rapid changes in contemporary society.

#### Prerequisites

- Applicants must hold an approved undergraduate bachelor degree or equivalent qualification and must have completed topics that enable them to teach in South Australia to Year 12 in at least one subject specialisation and to Year 10 in a second subject specialisation offered by the College of Education, Psychology and Social Work. Applicants must normally have achieved a Flinders equivalent grade point average (GPA) of 4.00 or above for consideration.

#### Career opportunities

- Learn to create supportive, safe and enriching learning environments and make a positive difference in the lives of students.
- Integrate your knowledge and skills with professional experience placements in primary schools.
- Develop expertise and confidence to teach innovative STEM education.
- Upon successful completion (including Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education) you will be eligible to apply for registration with the Teachers Registration Board of South Australia.

#### Potential employers include:

- education officer (Australian Army)
- primary teacher
- literacy/numeracy teacher/leader
- tutor
- graduate administrative officer
- out of school hours care (OSHC) director.

#### Potential occupations include:

- government, Catholic or independent schools
- private industry settings.

### Master of Teaching (Secondary)

The Master of Teaching (Secondary) is offered to graduates who wish to teach years 7-12 in secondary schools. The course provides you with the background necessary to apply for registration as a secondary teacher. Topics covered during the both 1.5 years accelerated degree and the 2-year equivalent include specialist curriculum studies, professional experience and several topics devoted to issues in education.

#### Prerequisites

- Applicants must hold an approved undergraduate bachelor degree or equivalent qualification and must have completed topics that enable them to teach in South Australia to Year 12 in at least one subject specialisation and to Year 10 in a second subject specialisation offered by the College of Education, Psychology and Social Work. Applicants must normally have achieved a Flinders equivalent grade point average (GPA) of 4.00 or above for consideration.

#### Career opportunities

- You’ll gain the knowledge and skills required to start a career as a teacher in secondary school.
- You’ll graduate work-ready, with teaching placements in secondary schools where you can learn practical skills, put theory into practice and develop important relationships with students, parents and colleagues.
- Upon successful completion (including Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education) you will be eligible to apply for registration with the Teachers Registration Board of South Australia.

#### Potential employers include:

- education officer (Australian Army)
- secondary teacher
- education officer (Australian Army)
- graduate administrative officer
- youth and children’s support officer
- tutor
- student support officer (SSG).

#### Potential occupations include:

- government, Catholic or independent schools
- private industry settings.

### Master of Teaching (Secondary) - Physical Education

The Master of Teaching (Secondary) – Physical Education not only offers exceptional training for future health and physical educators in school settings, but also responds to demands for highly trained educators from the sports, recreation and outdoor education industries. From the first day of study, our students are immersed in practical activities and micro-teaching situations exploring the application of teaching theory in practice. The program works closely with schools and relevant organisations to ensure the most relevant and rigorous experiences, so graduates are indeed ‘classroom ready’.

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#### Career opportunities

- Students will major in physical education or health education, minor in the other, and be eligible to elect a second minor to increase employment opportunities.
- You can undertake professional experience placements in secondary schools where you can learn practical skills and put theory into practice.
- Your placements will help you to develop and consolidate your teaching knowledge and skills in order to meet the necessary national standards for registration as a teacher.
- You’ll be taught vital interpersonal skills that will help you form cooperative and effective professional relationships with students, staff and parents.
- Upon successful completion (including Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education) you will be eligible to apply for registration with the Teachers Registration Board of South Australia.

#### Potential employers include:

- education officer (Australian Army)
- secondary teacher
- graduate administrative officer
- sports coach
- educational officer within a sporting or recreational organisation.

#### Potential occupations include:

- government, Catholic or independent schools
- private industry settings.
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