

Graduate Diploma in Education (Primary Stream) DipEd (Primary)

Overview

The Graduate Diploma in Education (Primary Stream) is a one-year full-time or two-years part-time course. The course is only available to graduates who complete the Bachelor of Early Childhood Studies between 1995-2005 at the University of Melbourne (refer 'Entry Requirements' below). The course will enable these graduates to upgrade their qualifications for registration as early years teachers in primary schools. Students will complete 45 days of supervised practicum in schools in conjunction with learning area and education studies.

Course objectives

On completion of the Graduate Diploma in Education (Primary Stream) graduate will:

- have extended their knowledge as early childhood educators, of the contexts in which young children learn, to include the primary school setting;
- be able to demonstrate an understanding of the current curriculum pedagogy in the design and implementation of learning experiences for young children in the primary school;
- be able to plan and implement learning experiences for children across the key learning areas of the primary school curriculum;
- show an awareness of how learning experiences can be adapted to meet the diverse learning needs of children;
- show an awareness of current initiatives in primary schools including recent curriculum developments in literacy and numeracy and partnerships with parents;
- understand the diverse roles of teachers' work in school settings; and
- appreciate the historical, philosophical and cultural perspectives of schooling in Australia and the role of schools in society.

Entry requirements

Applicants must have completed a Bachelor of Early Childhood Studies (400 points); or Bachelor of Early Childhood Studies (350 points) and a Graduate Certificate of Early Childhood Studies at the University of Melbourne between the years 1995 - 2005.

Semester dates

In 2003, students in the Graduate Diploma in Education (Primary) course begin classes in the week beginning 24 February.

Course structure

Full-time program	Points
Year long	
460-102 School Experience & Practice Teaching 1T (p.3)	12.5
483-146 Learning Area (TP) Arts (p.8)	12.5
485-136 Learning Area (TP) Mathematics 1 (p.8)	12.5
Semester 1	
460-203 School Experience & Practice Teaching 2T (p.8)	12.5
482-251 Learning Area (TP) SOSE (p.9)	6.25
485-234 Learning Area (TP) Science & Technology (p.9)	12.5
485-235 Learning Area (TP) Health & Physical Ed (p.10)	6.25
Semester 2	
482-101 Education Policy, Schools & Society (p.4)	12.5
483-145 Learning Area Primary English 1 (p.8)	12.5
Total	100.0
Part-time program - first year	
Year long	
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483-146 Learning Area (TP) Arts (p.8)	12.5
485-136 Learning Area (TP) Mathematics 1 (p.8)	12.5
Semester 2	
483-145 Learning Area Primary English 1 (p.8)	12.5
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>50.0</i>
Part-time program - second year	
Semester 1	
460-203 School Experience & Practice Teaching 2T (p.8)	12.5
482-251 Learning Area (TP) SOSE (p.9)	6.25

Part-time program - second year	Points
485-234 Learning Area (TP) Science & Technology (p.9)	12.5
485-235 Learning Area (TP) Health & Physical Ed (p.10)	6.25
Semester 2	
482-101 Education Policy, Schools & Society (p.4)	12.5
<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>50.0</i>
Total	100.0

Subject descriptions

Compulsory subjects

All subjects will be taught in conjunction with subjects offered in the Bachelor of Teaching (Primary) course.

460-102 School Experience & Practice Teaching 1T

See full subject details on page 3.

460-203 School Experience & Practice Teaching 2T

See full subject details on page 8.

482-101 Education Policy, Schools & Society

See full subject details on page 4.

482-251 Learning Area (TP) SOSE

See full subject details on page 9.

483-145 Learning Area Primary English 1

See full subject details on page 8.

483-146 Learning Area (TP) Arts

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485-136 Learning Area (TP) Mathematics 1

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485-234 Learning Area (TP) Science & Technology

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485-235 Learning Area (TP) Health & Physical Ed

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