

Bachelor of Early Childhood (BECH) - BECh

QTAC code (Australian and New Zealand applicants): Distance education: 908155; Springfield campus: 928151; Toowoomba campus: 908151

CRICOS code (International applicants): 056707B

	On-campus	Online
Semester intake:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
Campus:	Fraser Coast, Springfield, Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place	Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place
Standard duration:	3 years full-time, 7 years maximum	
Program articulation:	To: Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood)	

Notes:

Note: Semester 3 intake is only available in on-campus mode at Springfield campus.

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Professional accreditation

The program is not accredited with the Queensland College of Teachers for teacher registration, but is accredited with the Queensland Office for Early Childhood Education and Care (formerly the Department of Communities) and equivalent government authorities in other Australian jurisdictions.

Program aims

The Bachelor of Early Childhood aims to graduate students who demonstrate:

- the knowledge, skills, practices and values inherent in contemporary understandings of best practice in early childhood education, particularly as these understandings are reflected in the expectations of the Queensland Office for Early Childhood Education and Care (formerly the Department of Communities)
- the qualities and skills required of a USQ graduate (see USQ's [Qualities of a Graduate Policy](#))
- the attributes of an Education graduate
- sound levels of knowledge and understanding appropriate to working as educators with children from birth to eight years of age and in a range of early childhood settings.

Admission requirements

Normal Entry

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Year 12 or equivalent.

Special Entry

Students with Year 10 or equivalent and at least three years' full-time equivalent work experience relevant to the early childhood sector will be considered for admission.

Domestic and International Applicants from a non-English speaking background are required to satisfy [English language requirements](#).

If you do not meet the English language requirements you may apply to study a University-approved [English language program](#). On successful completion of the English language program, Applicants may be admitted to an Award Program.

Program fees

Commonwealth supported place

A Commonwealth supported place is where the Australian Government makes a contribution towards the cost of your higher education and you as a student pay a [student contribution amount](#), which varies depending on the courses undertaken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Commonwealth Supported students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [HECS-HELP](#).

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#) provided they meet the residency and citizenship requirements.

Australian citizens, Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who will be resident outside Australia for the duration of their program pay full tuition fees and are not eligible for [FEE-Help](#).

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Program structure

The three-year Bachelor of Early Childhood requires 24 units at undergraduate level. A minimum of six semesters of study must be undertaken.

Note: Minimum enrolment numbers apply to all courses. Should enrolments not meet the minimum number required, students may be transferred to a different mode or offering and advised of this change prior to semester start.

Program completion requirements

In order to complete the Bachelor of Early Childhood a student must complete 24 units of study, as per the list below.

EDC1100 Lifespan Development and Learning
EDC1200 Self, Education and Society
EDC1300 Perspectives in Education
EDC1400 Foundations of Curriculum and Pedagogy
EDC2100 Managing Supportive Learning Environments
EDC2200 Indigenous Perspectives
EDC2300 Assessment and Reporting
EDC2400 Diversity and Pedagogy
EDC3100 ICT and Pedagogy
EDX1250 The Arts Curriculum and Pedagogy
EDX1450 HPE Curriculum and Pedagogy
EDX2190 Australian History and Geography: Curriculum and Pedagogy
EDX2170 English Curriculum and Pedagogy
EDX3160 Science Curriculum and Pedagogy
EDX1170 Foundations of Language and Literacies
EDX1280 Foundations of Numeracy
EDX2260 Teaching Science for Understanding
EDE2101 Early Childhood Education Contexts
EDE2201 Development and Learning: Birth - 8
EDE2010 Play and Pedagogy I
EDE4012 Cross-cultural Communication in Early Childhood
EDE3009 Professional Practices in Early Childhood
EDE4010 Leadership and Management in Early Childhood
EDE3103 Play and Pedagogy II

Required time limits

Students have a maximum of 7 years to complete this program.

Professional experience

The Bachelor of Early Childhood program complies with all requirements of the Queensland Of

