

Graduate Diploma of Education (Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP)) or Graduate Diploma of Education (Full Fee Paying (FFP)) (GDEDorGDEF) - GDE

Programs at USQ regularly undergo a comprehensive re-accreditation process to assure their relevance and quality. This program has recently been re-accredited and, as a consequence, has undergone some changes. .
 If you have any questions, please [contact us](#).

| | Online* |
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| Start: | Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November) |
| Fees: | Commonwealth supported place Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place |
| Standard duration: | 1 year full-time (dependent on availability of courses), up to 4 years part-time) |
| Program articulation: | From: Graduate Certificate of Education . To: ; Master of Education (Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP)) or Master of Education (Full Fee Paying (FFP)) provided necessary entry requirements are met. |

Notes:

Specialisations can be either Commonwealth Supported Place or Full Fee Paying. Students who are not eligible for a Commonwealth Supported Place within the Graduate Diploma of Education (Commonwealth Supported) will be charged full-fee.

Specialisations are divided into either Commonwealth Supported Place or Full Fee Paying. Online mode of study is supported through the USQ Study Desk.

This program does not qualify students for teacher registration with relevant teaching authorities. To qualify for teacher registration in Queensland, please refer to the ; [Master of Learning and Teaching](#).

Footnotes

* Not all courses are available in every mode in every semester or year. Students are advised to check the course and mode offer listings for each semester/year.

Contact us

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Program aims

The aim of the Graduate Diploma of Education is to provide professionals in education, training and development with the appropriate AQF level 8 coursework that will engage with educational issues that are relevant and meaningful to them and help to sustain their communities and fulfil their lives. The program aims to:

- facilitate the development and consolidation of knowledge and skills in teaching and learning in community, professional and workplace learning settings that are informed by contemporary learning theory and futures-oriented approaches

- support the application of knowledge and skills through learner-centred design, flexible delivery and individualised and authentic assessment.

Program objectives

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. Students are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Program completion requirements

Students who wish to study a broader variety of courses and are not seeking a specialisation should follow the general pathway guidelines.

Program structure

To be awarded a Graduate Diploma of Education, in either the selected specialisation or the general pathway, students must complete 8 units of study.

All students, domestic or international can take any of the listed Specialisations. Note - for students who are eligible for Commonwealth Supported Places, there are a limited number of specialisations available.

Students who wish to study a broader variety of courses and are not seeking a specialisation should follow the general pathway guidelines. Please note this is a full-fee paying pathway.

Required time limits

Subject to the availability of the required courses, full-time enrolment normally requires 1 year of study. Part-time enrolment may be extended to 4 years of study.

Core courses

All specialisations as well as the general pathway have required courses or sequences of courses. Students are advised to note carefully the enrolment requirements for the specialisation and to ensure that they plan their enrolment to allow for completion of the specialisation requirements.

Specialisation

There are a number of specialisations available in the Graduate Diploma of Education.

All specialisations are available for both domestic and international students in the Graduate Diploma of Education. A limited number of specialisations are available as Commonwealth Supported Places for eligible students. For each of the specialisations students are required to complete the enrolment pattern as outlined in the specialisation requirements. :

Specialisations in the Graduate Diploma of Education are:

- Career Development
- Early Childhood (no new admissions from 2020)
- Guidance and Counselling (eligible for Commonwealth Supported Place)
- Special and Inclusive Education (eligible for Commonwealth Supported Place)
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Education
- Teaching English Language to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) (eligible for Commonwealth Supported Place)
- General (no named specialisation will appear on the Testamur)

Students who wish to study a broader variety of courses and are not seeking a specialisation should follow the general pathway guidelines. Please note this is a full-fee paying pathway.

Note: Subject to approval of the Director and provided necessary pre-requisites are met, students may choose from a range of other postgraduate courses available through USQ.

IT requirements

Students must have reliable and ready access to email and the Internet. See minimum computing standards for more information.

Articulation

The Graduate Diploma of Education articulates from the Graduate Certificate of Education. On completion of the Graduate Diploma of Education, students may be eligible for entry into the [Master of Education](#)

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