

# MASTER OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD)

**CRICOS Code**  
117328D

**Duration**  
2 Years (Full-Time)

**Intakes**  
February

**Study Mode**  
On-Campus

**Credit Points**  
96

May  
September



**Education  
with Purpose**

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The Master of Teaching (Early Childhood) provides graduates with the initial qualification required for teaching in Australian early childhood settings. This course provides students with well-developed professional skills to become an early childhood teacher for children from birth to five years.

This course is designed for students, with a Bachelor degree in any discipline, a Graduate Diploma in early childhood teaching or an Australian or ACECQA approved Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care with three years professional experience, who are seeking to become registered early childhood teachers.

Students will study a range of core subjects in early childhood contexts including child development, behaviour, diversity and leadership. They will also complete 60 days of practical experience working with children aged birth to 5 years in early childhood settings.

*The Master of Teaching (Early Childhood) is pending ACECQA approval.*

This qualification is FEE-HELP approved for [eligible applicants](#).



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The Master of Teaching (Early Childhood) prepares graduates for a rewarding career as an early childhood teacher. You will have the skills and knowledge to educate and care for children aged birth to five years in various settings such as preschools, childcare centres, occasional care and educational centres.

Students who successfully complete the Master of Teaching (Early Childhood) may be eligible for entry to other degrees such as a Master of Education or a Doctor of Education.

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## RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING

Recognition of Prior Learning is an assessment process used to determine the extent to which a student has achieved the learning outcomes of a subject from earlier learning, experience or achievements. Where equivalence of prior learning can be established, course credit will be granted and the student is exempt from attending that particular subject in order to complete their course.

If you would like more information please head to [ikon.edu.au/contact/](http://ikon.edu.au/contact/) and complete the enquiry form.

## DELIVERY

Course delivery for the The Master of Teaching (Early Childhood) is a combination of lectures, tutorials, student forums and independent study.

You should allow a notional 12 hours per week for each subject studied. Additionally, you should allow approximately 10 hours per week per subject for self-directed study to complete prescribed readings, practice skills, conduct research, and complete assessments at your own pace.

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## COURSE FEES

For information on fees and payment refer to [ikon.edu.au/fees/](http://ikon.edu.au/fees/).

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## HOW TO APPLY

Visit [ikon.edu.au/application-process/](http://ikon.edu.au/application-process/) and complete the form. A Course Advisor will contact you to discuss your next step.

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## INTERNATIONAL ENQUIRIES

P 1300 613 801 (Ext 2)  
E [international@edu.com.au](mailto:international@edu.com.au)

## DOMESTIC ENQUIRIES

P 1300 613 801 (Ext 1)  
E [courseadvisor@ikon.edu.au](mailto:courseadvisor@ikon.edu.au)

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Transforming the next generation of  
Early Childhood Educators**

## ADMISSION PATHWAYS

Applicants must have:

- A recognised Bachelor degree in any field; or
- A recognised Graduate Diploma of early childhood teaching
- An Australian or ACECQA approved equivalent Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care with professional experience equivalent to three (3) years full-time (within the past 7 years).

All applicants must also submit a Teacher Education Teaching Statement demonstrating suitability to become an effective early childhood teacher.

For more information please visit the Admissions Criteria section of our course page [ikon.edu.au/course/master-of-teaching-early-childhood/](http://ikon.edu.au/course/master-of-teaching-early-childhood/).

## COURSE STRUCTURE

The Master of Teaching (Early Childhood) comprises 16 equally weighted subjects of 6 credit points each (total of 96 credit points) delivered over six trimesters.

A typical full-time study load is 3 subjects per trimester, including completion of work placement in year 2. Each trimester consists of twelve weeks of teaching.

YEAR 1	
EPRO501 Early Childhood Education and Care in the Australian Context	EPRO506 Children within their Family and Community Contexts
ETCH502 Play, Teaching and the Planning Cycle	ETCH507 Understanding and Guiding Young Children's Behaviour
ETCH503 Creativity and Curriculum in Early Childhood	EPRO508 Theories, Pedagogies and Curriculum in Early Childhood
ETCH504 Infant and Toddler Development, Learning and Wellbeing	EPRO509 Diverse and Exceptional Learners in Early Childhood
ETCH505 Preschooler Development, Learning and Wellbeing	
YEAR 2	
ETCH510 Language and Literacy in Early Childhood	EPIR514 Practitioner Inquiry Research in Early Childhood
ETCH511 Mathematics and Numeracy in Early Childhood	ELDR515 Leadership and Service Management
ETCH512 Science, Engineering and Technologies in Early Childhood	PLAC911 Professional Experience (Birth to 5 years)
ETCH513 Creative Arts in Early Childhood	

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