



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Bachelor of Education (Primary) / Bachelor of Science

School of Education, Fremantle Campus

Are you passionate about educating young minds? Do you love sharing your knowledge and watching your students grow? If so, our Bachelor of Education (Primary)/Bachelor of Science is the ideal degree for you. Designed to be completed over five years of full-time study or the equivalent in part-time study, this degree equips you with the skills you need to teach children aged from six to 12 years in Catholic, Independent and Government schools.

Why study this degree?

If your ambition is to teach in a primary school, this five-year double degree from The University of Notre Dame Australia is the ideal qualification. Recognised by the Teacher Registration Board of Western Australia, our

Bachelor of Education (Primary)/Bachelor of Science combines educational theory and classroom learning, with plenty of hands-on teaching opportunities.

The degree offers contemporary coursework, exposure to the latest learning technologies, and the integration of theory and practice. In addition to acquiring the academic skills needed to teach primary school age children, you will also be required to choose one specialist subject area such as Mathematics, Science, English, Humanities, Special Needs, Service Learning and Social Justice or Theatre Studies.

As part of the Bachelor of Science component of the double degree you will study a set of core interdisciplinary Science courses including experimental design, maths, biology and chemistry. These courses provide the basis for strong skills in scientific investigation, including data collection and analysis, critical thinking, problem solving, teamwork, and effective communication. These skills are highly sort after by employers and applicable to many workplaces both within and outside of the field of Science.

Building on these core Science courses, you will deepen your study of Science by selecting a Science Stream that matches your interests: Biology & Environment, Environment & Heritage, Human & Medical Science, or Multidisciplinary Science. Each Stream ensures in-depth knowledge and skill development through practical hands-on experience in the classroom, the laboratory, and in the field. This will prepare you well to inspire your young students and teach Science within an educational setting.

The practical component of your degree involves 32 weeks of teaching practice spread across five years. This extensive teaching apprenticeship provides a total

immersion in the classroom environment, exposing you to the lived experience of a teacher.

Please note: Education students in WA must sit the national Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education Students (LANTITE). The test is administered externally by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). You must register and pay for the test.

Program summary

Courses	Units of Credit
Core Curriculum courses	75
Education compulsory courses	705
Science compulsory courses	300
Total units of credit in the double degree	1180

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the [Program Regulations](https://www.notredame.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0043/989/of-EducationPrimary_Bachelor-of-Science.pdf) (https://www.notredame.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0043/989/of-EducationPrimary_Bachelor-of-Science.pdf).

See [Bachelor of Science Program Regulations](https://www.notredame.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0015/332/of-Science.pdf) (https://www.notredame.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0015/332/of-Science.pdf) for details of Science Streams and courses.

Information about individual courses can be found at the [School of Education](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/education-descriptions) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/education-descriptions>) and the [School of Arts and Sciences](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/arts-and-sciences/course-descriptions) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/about/schools/fremantle/arts-and-sciences/course-descriptions>) course description pages.

Real-world experience

You will learn from academics who are industry leaders and, through our practicum placements and internship programs, you will gain real professional experience and make valuable contacts with potential employers.

Study Abroad

You will have the opportunity to complete part of your degree at one of our partner institutions through our exchange program. Get in touch with the Study Abroad Office (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/international/study-abroad>) to find out more about studying in Asia, Europe and North America.

Entry requirements

Academic requirements for this program are outlined below. In addition, to be eligible for admission, all applicants need to satisfy minimum requirements outlined at admission requirements (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements>). These include those relating to age and English Language Proficiency (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements/english-language-proficiency-requirements>). Initial Teacher Education applicants are required to achieve minimum entry standards as specified for Initial Teacher Education. We also consider your application more broadly – your non-academic achievements (such as any previous leadership roles, volunteering, work, church and/or community involvement) as well as personal qualities - your aspirations and interests and your capacity to complete your chosen program.

Applicants with recent Secondary Education:

- Indicative ATAR of 80 with a score of 50+ in ATAR English, ATAR Literature or ATAR English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD); or
- Minimum International Baccalaureate (IB) score of 28.

Applicants with Higher Education Study

- Other university studies completed at undergraduate level or higher, a minimum of 4 successfully completed subjects.

Applicants who have successfully completed subjects at another University, which are relevant to the selected program of study, may be eligible for [Advanced Standing](https://www.notredame.edu.au/current-students/your-enrolment/admin-and-fees/sydney/advanced-standing) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/current-students/your-enrolment/admin-and-fees/sydney/advanced-standing>).

Applicants with Vocational Education and Training (VET) study

- Completed AQF Diploma or higher in a relevant discipline, from an accredited provider such as TAFE or a Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

Applicants with Work and Life Experience

Applicants who left secondary education more than two years previously and who have not undertaken VET or higher education study since then, but with relevant work and life experience. Such experience may include, but is not limited to:

- STAT scores of at least 150 in the Multiple Choice section **and** Written English section are required;

OR

- Mature-age completion of two Year 12 WACE or HSC exams with a resulting ATAR of 80 or above;

OR

- Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE) or equivalent results if these have been completed within the last 5 years.

Fees

This Program has the following loan scheme(s) available for eligible students:

HECS-HELP

The HECS-HELP loan scheme assists eligible students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Your HECS-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index.

For further information on fee places and Government loan schemes, or for indicative fees for domestic or international students, please visit our [Fees Page](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees>).

Career opportunities

Teaching opportunities in the following schools are open to graduates of this program:

- Independent schools
- Government schools
- Catholic schools

Professional accreditation

Student profile data

Table 2 below gives an indication of the likely peer cohort for new students in this Program. It provides data on all students who commenced in this Program in the most relevant recent intake period, including those admitted through all offer rounds and international students studying in Australia.

TABLE 2a - Bachelor of Education (Primary) / Bachelor of Science BASIS OF ADMISSION IN SEMESTER 1, 2021 INTAKE

Applicant background	Semester 1 2021	
	Number of students	Percentage of all students
(A) Higher education study (includes a bridging or enabling course)	<5	N/P
(B) Vocational education and training (VET) study	N/A	N/A
(C) Work and life experience (Admitted on the basis of previous achievement not in the other three categories)	N/A	N/A
(D) Recent secondary education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Admitted solely on the basis of ATAR 	N/A	N/A

(regardless of whether this includes the consideration of adjustment factors such as equity or subject bonus points)		
◦ Admitted where both ATAR and additional criteria were considered (e.g. portfolio, audition, interview, extra test, early offer conditional on minimum ATAR)	N/A	N/A
◦ Admitted on the basis of other criteria only and ATAR was <i>not</i> a factor (e.g. special consideration, audition alone, interview, school marks & recommendation with no minimum ATAR requirement)	N/A	N/A
International students	N/A	N/A
<i>All students</i>	<5	100.0%

TABLE 2b - Bachelor of Education (Primary) / Bachelor of Science ATAR PROFILE DATA FOR APPLICANTS ENTERING ON THE BASIS OF *RECENT SECONDARY EDUCATION* IN SEMESTER 1, 2021 INTAKE

RECENT SECONDARY	ATAR (Excluding	Selection Rank (ATAR plus any
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EDUCATION - ATAR-based offers	adjustment factors) *	adjustment factors) *[only if relevant]
Highest rank to receive an offer	N/A	N/A
Median rank to receive an offer	N/A	N/A
Lowest rank to receive an offer	N/A	N/A

Notes:

“<5” - the number of students is less than 5

N/A - Students not accepted in this category

N/P - Not published: the number is hidden to prevent calculation of numbers in cells with less than 5 students

More information

For more information on the Bachelor of Education (Primary) / Bachelor of Science, please call our Prospective Students Office on +61 8 9433 0533 or email future@nd.edu.au (<mailto:future@nd.edu.au>).

All international enquiries should contact the International Students Office on international@nd.edu.au (<mailto:international@nd.edu.au>).

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Need help? Ask Notre Dame

(08) 9433 0533

Duration: 5 years full-time or the equivalent part-time

Campus: Fremantle

Loan Scheme: HECS-HELP

Study mode: On campus

Code: Program Code 3124

Commencement: Semester 1, Semester 2

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