

# Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education)



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# Why JCU?

## **A STUDENT EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER**

- Access to world-class teachers
- Develop skills in state-of-the-art facilities
- Achieve exceptional employment outcomes
  - Benefit from small class sizes
  - Connect with professional networks
- Support through scholarships for merit and equity
  - Discover great accommodation options

## **GAIN PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Be mentored by professional teachers with 120 days of placement across the degree. Graduate with confidence from a University rated five stars for full-time employment.\*

## **NATIONALLY ACCREDITED**

Work anywhere in Australia with a degree that is nationally accredited through the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL)

## **FLEXIBILITY AND CONVENIENCE**

Study when and where it suits you online with JCU

## **SUPPORT FOR YOUR SUCCESS**

Explore JCU's range of scholarships, grants and bursaries and discover the right financial assistance to achieve your goals

\*Good Universities Guide 2021





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- ✔ Make a difference to the lives of young children. Through the Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) learn how to support the development, behaviour, and wellbeing of children in childcare centres through to primary school.
- ✔ Gain professional experience in your first year and complete a total of 120 days of workplace learning over the course of your degree. Take advantage of JCU's strong partnerships with childcare centres, kindergartens, preschools, and primary schools to develop your network and build practical job skills.
- ✔ Choose the study mode that works for you. Connect with peers and academics on campus or online. The innovative online course provides the flexibility to balance work, study and family while also developing professional knowledge and skills.
- ✔ Develop specialised English language skills to meet the needs of all students and communities in metropolitan, rural and remote locations.

## COURSE DETAILS:

<b>Locations:</b>	Cairns, Townsville, Singapore <sup>1</sup> , External
<b>Start Dates:</b>	February, July (On campus) March, September (External)
<b>Duration:</b>	4 years full-time Part-time available 5.5 years for external students
<b>ATAR:</b>	73.3   English, General Mathematics or Mathematical Methods or Specialist Mathematics and Science (Units 3/4,C); or equivalent

<sup>1</sup> Available to Australian students for inter-campus study in Singapore. Please visit the [handbook](#) for a detailed outline of the course structure. Note: Information is for domestic students only.


# Course structure

## CORE SUBJECTS

LEVEL 1	Educational Psychology: Learners and Learning	Foundations of Language and Literacy in Education	Technologies for Early Childhood Education	Early Childhood Arts Education
	Education Perspectives and Practice	Teaching Mathematics and Numeracy in Primary and Early Childhood Settings	Science and Sustainability in Education	Early Childhood Education and Care 1
LEVEL 2	Planning for Engaging Learning	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education	Early Childhood Education Language and Literacy	Science Education for Early Childhood
	Early Childhood Mathematics and Numeracy	Health and Physical Education for Early Childhood	Humanities and Social Sciences for Early Childhood Education	Students with Reading Difficulties
LEVEL 3	Inclusive Education: Differentiated Learning for Students with Special Needs and Abilities	Early Childhood Education and Care 2	Advanced English Education for Early Childhood	Early Childhood Mathematics and Numeracy 2
	Reflective Teaching Cycles and Positive Learning Environments (ECE)		English as an Additional Language/Dialect for Indigenous Learners	Technologies Across the Curriculum
LEVEL 4	Fourth Year Professional Experience A	Teachers as Ethical and Collaborative Change Agents	Fourth Year Professional Experience B	
	Leading Wellbeing and Sustainability in Learning Communities	Education Across Culturally Diverse Contexts	Indigenous Futures	Service Learning for Sustainable Futures







*“I felt the help was there if it was needed and that’s what I loved about my course and about JCU. Even when studying the course online, you will be supported. Making sure students have that level of comfort is a strength for JCU.”*

**Bianca Rogers**

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)

# Career Opportunities

JCU Education graduates have a nationally accredited degree that enables them to be employed across Australia.

Graduates can pursue careers in education in schools, preschools, kindergartens, and childcare centres.

This course is nationally accredited through the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) in association with the Queensland College of Teachers (QCT). Graduates are eligible for Teacher registration in Australia.

The Bachelor of Education (ECE) is also fully accredited with ACECQA, which is the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority.

## Study online to be an Early Childhood teacher

Make study work for you. Gain the flexibility to study the Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) when and where it suits you. Studying externally (online) enables you to fit your coursework around existing commitments, so you can achieve your goals and receive the same qualification as you would studying on campus.

With assured placements close to home you will also complete a total of 120 days of workplace learning over the course of your degree.

### THE FASTEST WAY TO QUALIFY FOR YOUR DEGREE PART-TIME

JCU's Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) online course is built for students with busy lives. You will study one subject at a time, up to six times a year. Each subject goes for seven weeks, allowing you to focus on a single area of study each time, keeping you motivated and engaged throughout your degree. It also spreads your study load across the year, and you still get 10 weeks of breaks.

By completing six subjects per year, you can complete a Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) in 5.5 years. This is much faster than traditional part-time study in semesters, allowing you to qualify for your degree sooner and maintain family and other commitments.

## BENEFITS OF STUDYING ONLINE WITH JCU

### CONVENIENCE AND FLEXIBILITY

Attending on-campus university classes every week isn't for everyone. By studying the Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) online, you have the flexibility to study 'anytime, anywhere'. Using any device, you can conveniently fit study into your busy schedule.

All assessments are 100% online, meaning you'll never need to travel to submit an assignment or find an exam venue.



*“Learning online about early childhood education is stimulating and rewarding. It’s a pleasure to teach. Subjects are full of interactive components and hands-on activities. Our students learn science experiments that are colourful and fun. Art and dance bring out your creativity. With intentional teaching we put play into learning.*”

*Weekly online tutorials connect lecturers and students and bring a personal touch to learning in remote places.”*

**Dr Marcia Thorne**

LECTURER, EDUCATION

### SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE

Our Student Support Service will be with you every step of the way. For every subject, you will be placed in a student group with a dedicated tutor for continued academic support. Each tutor runs collaborative sessions at different times throughout the study period, and is available to answer questions submitted via email, phone or the online discussion boards.

### THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

JCU's online learning platform, LearnJCU, is intuitive and easy to navigate. It's specifically designed with students in mind, many of whom are juggling family, work and study.

The JCU online learning environment enables you to connect, interact and collaborate with your classmates, tutors and academics like never before. It offers access to the same resources you would have on campus, all via an interactive learning environment.





# JCU Accommodation

Study and live in some of the most interesting places in the world. Cairns and Townsville are on the doorstep of the Great Barrier Reef, magnificent rainforests, the savannah region and Outback Australia.

Living on-campus is a great way to make the most of your time at JCU. With five different accommodation options at JCU Townsville, housing over 1,200 students, and a new complex for 300 students at JCU Cairns, living on-campus is a great place to make new friends and immerse yourself in the JCU culture. All rooms at our on-campus residences are single board, with a single bed, study desk, chair, fan, air-conditioning and Wi-Fi. Each residence is different in regards to style of living, culture and atmosphere. There are options for fully catered or self-catered housing. Find out more at [jcu.edu.au/accommodation](https://jcu.edu.au/accommodation)



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