

# EDUCATION CAREER SNAPSHOT

## Early Childhood (Pre-Primary School) Teachers



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## Primary School Teachers



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## Secondary School Teachers



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## Education

JCU offers a range of undergraduate and post graduate Education degrees.

**Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education)** – four year undergraduate program which qualifies graduates to work with children aged from birth to eight, leading to work in schools, preschools, kindergartens and childcare centres.

**Bachelor of Education (Primary)** – four year undergraduate program and **Master of Teaching and Learning (Primary)** – a two year post graduate program. Both qualify graduates to work with students in Years 1 – 6.

**Bachelor of Education (Secondary)** – four year undergraduate program and **Master of Teaching and Learning (Secondary)** – two year post graduate program. Both programs

qualify graduates to work with students in Years 7 – 12.

JCU's education degrees are recognized throughout Australia and internationally. Employers across Australia regularly contact JCU requesting to interview graduating education students. Graduates work in government, independent and Catholic schools. Many teach in Europe, the United Kingdom, Asia and North America. Employment prospects in Northern Queensland are excellent due to the current shortage of teachers across the region. (Source: [JCU](#) 30 July 2018)

## Graduate Outcomes

The [Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching \(QILT\)](#) site provides graduate outcome information for the JCU Education degrees and all other Australian Teacher Education

programs.

## Graduate Employment - Undergraduate

	Teacher Education	
	James Cook University	National Average
Full-time employment	90.7% (86.4% - 93.5%) 140 responses	81.8%
Overall employment	95.5% (92.6% - 97.0%) 177 responses	93.7%
Full-time study	6.0% (4.1% - 9.3%) 166 responses	6.5%
Median salary	\$62,900 (\$61,100 - \$64,700) 90 responses	\$63,600

L/N - Low numbers – The number of survey responses are **too low** to display  
N/A - Data **not available** for this study area or institution

Data source: [Graduate Outcomes Survey 2016-2018](#)

[Source: QILT 24 July 2019](#)

## Registration

All JCU Education degrees are nationally accredited through the **Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL)** in association with the **Queensland College of Teachers (QCT)**.

Graduates of JCU Education degrees have demonstrated achievement of the graduate level of the **Australian Professional Standards** and are eligible for **provisional teacher registration in Australia**.

The Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) is also fully accredited with the **Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA)**.

The requirements for registration vary depending on the State or Territory you intend to teach in. Check the [AITSL](#) website to access all authorities.

### Provisional registration QLD

The [Queensland College of Teachers \(QCT\)](#) grants provisional registration to recent teacher education graduates.

### Full teacher registration QLD

Full teacher registration is granted on: completion of one year of full time classroom practice or the part-time equivalent; successful demonstration of the [professional standards](#) for full registration and completion of a provisional to full recommendation report. ([QCT](#) 24 July 2019)

### Further information

- [Provisional registration fact sheet](#)
- [Applying for teacher registration fact sheet](#)
- [Australian Professional Standards for Teachers \(QLD version\)](#)

## Job Opportunities

Online job boards provide information on job opportunities and expectations.

- [teach.qld.gov.au](#)
- [SmartJobs](#)
- [Catholic Education](#)
- [Independent Schools QLD](#)
- [Steiner Education](#)
- [Teachers.on.net](#)
- [Seek](#)
- [JCU Careerhub](#)
- [CareerOne](#)

facebook

LinkedIn

Employers' websites, Facebook pages, LinkedIn accounts and twitter feeds provide information on job opportunities and current topics of interest for education professionals.

- [Education Queensland Jobs LinkedIn](#)

### JCU Alumni LinkedIn Page

Investigate JCU [Alumni LinkedIn profiles](#) to identify career pathways and current and past employers of JCU education graduates.

## Alternative Career Options

JCU education degrees equip graduates with an exquisite skill set to work outside of the schooling system\*:

- Education management or technology (e.g. [Learning or Instructional Designers](#))
- Government departments
- Corporate training
- [Cross-cultural training](#)
- Community development
- Universities (e.g. [Learning Advisor](#))
- Registered Training Organisations
- Governess/Live-in teacher
- Tutoring Services
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

\* Further study/training may be required

### Graduate Programs

You may choose to apply for (non-teaching) Graduate Programs - structured professional development positions offered by large organisations and government departments.

Candidates are usually recruited throughout their final year of study for commencement in the following year.

Programs are advertised through employer websites and social media accounts and via online job boards and graduate recruitment directories:

- [GradAustralia](#)
- [GradConnection](#)
- [Graduate Opportunities](#)
- [Queensland Government Graduate Portal](#)
- [APS jobs Graduate Programs](#)

## Relevant Experience

The JCU Education programs place a strong emphasis on **professional practice experience and skill development**. Maximize every opportunity presented in your degree to develop your skills, knowledge and expertise.

In addition to your Placements, it is recommended you actively **seek further education related experience** (e.g. Outside school hours care, coaching, tutoring) to expand your professional networks and further demonstrate commitment to your future profession.

## Volunteering

Volunteering is an opportunity to give to the community, grow your professional and community networks and demonstrate extra commitment to your future profession.

- Volunteer for opportunities presented through your placements
- Become a [Student Mentor](#)
- Be involved in a local group e.g. sporting clubs, service clubs etc.

Community volunteering opportunities are advertised through:

- [FNQ Volunteers](#)
- [Volunteering North Queensland](#)
- [Townsville City Council Community Directory](#)
- [Cairns City Council Community Directory](#)

## Professional Development

Seek additional professional development presented through your university studies and placements to gain extra knowledge and skills and demonstrate commitment to ongoing learning in your profession.

Keep a records for job applications.

Access PD opportunities offered through the [Professional Development Portal](#) on the QCT website.



**BOOST YOUR PROSPECTS**



Explore your options, clarify your career goals



Build your networks



Gain course relevant experience



Fine tune your job application skills



Show initiative, engage in extra-curricular activities and stand out

For further ideas access the [JCU Career Action Plan](#)