

# Master of 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

## **WORK WORLDWIDE**

Teach in Australia and around the globe. JCU students gain the skills and knowledge necessary to take their careers overseas.

## **UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES**

Be equipped with the skills to make an impact. Study and work in rural and remote communities, capital cities and experience overseas placements.

## **GRADUATE WITH CONFIDENCE**

JCU Education emphasises holistic thinking, producing graduates who value social and environmental sustainability goals and are equipped to teach future generations. JCU Education is independently ranked #1 in Queensland for graduate full-time employment outcomes\*.

## **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 2023, PG Education





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✔ Build on undergraduate knowledge and prepare to specialise in your chosen area as you complete core subjects in your JCU Master of Education. Students can complete the Master of Education either by coursework with a single or double major, or a combination of coursework with a single major and minor thesis.

✔ Explore an array of processes, theories and practices across the key area of educational leadership. Gain knowledge and skills and learn how to apply your expertise across a range of contexts.

✔ Learn from an advanced curriculum based on well-developed principles and practices, and work with JCU's internationally-recognised experts.

## COURSE DETAILS:

<b>Locations:</b>	Brisbane, Online
<b>Commencing:</b>	February, May, September (Brisbane) February, July (Online)
<b>Duration:</b>	1.5 years full-time, part-time available
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	AQF level 7 bachelor degree plus 2 years' professional work experience in education; AQF level 7 degree in education; AQF level 8 qualification with minimum 2 years as professional educator; AQF level 8 qualification in education

Please visit the [handbook](#) for a detailed outline of the course structure. Note: Information is for domestic students only

# Majors

A Master of Education at JCU offers two majors. Students have the opportunity to design, plan and execute a substantial research and/or inquiry-based project.

## Educational Leadership

Develop advanced knowledge and understanding of ethical practices within educational leadership. Critically reflect on current issues facing the profession and understand the key aspects of both becoming a leader and developing this capacity in others. Embrace the future of education by examining how best to combine teaching philosophies with the changing landscape of digital literacy. Become equipped to face local and global challenges to education and technology. Hone your curriculum design and implementation skills to lead pedagogical changes with confidence.

## Educational Research

Investigate a topic or issue of your choice within the field of education. You will undertake a small-scale research project, producing a 10,000 – 12,000-word dissertation under the guidance of supportive research advisors committed to your success. Understand the principles of research design and become skilled in analysing research data and justifying your chosen methodology. Finish your project by drawing conclusions and highlighting the implications of your findings. You will become experienced in communicating your research and ideas to a variety of audiences. Successful completion of this option can lead to a higher degree by research study.





*“The flexibility has allowed me to travel for short periods to take units intensively on campus, expanding the possibility of learning. I have found the university coordinators and lecturers to have been professional in all interactions. In addition, helpful in providing assistance to complete assessments and flexible in planning the structure of my course to suit my needs. The university staff were consistently compassionate, understanding, professional and supportive of the holistic needs of their students. Engaging in these postgraduate studies will allow me to leverage my professional knowledge and understandings to greater build community awareness and action around sustainability.”*

**Katie Vander Donk**

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*“The Master of Education is ideal for teachers and others working in the education sector wishing to upskill for career advancement. Students can pursue what excites them. They can pursue majors in Educational Leadership or Global Contexts. The Educational Leadership major greatly enhances the possibility of teachers moving into positions of leadership in their particular schools. The Global Contexts major open up new ways of thinking for teachers working in their local school contexts. Master of Education students can study while working at the same time, and at a pace that suits them due to the online delivery and the overall course structure.”*

**Greg Burnett**

COURSE COORDINATOR, MASTER OF EDUCATION

## Career Opportunities

A JCU Master of Education prepares students to work across many roles and industry sectors. Postgraduates possess expertise in leadership, education, change, and communication, and the capacity to be a knowledge leader in a range of contemporary contexts.

Depending on the selected major and area of specialisation, a JCU Master of Education can lead to a career in:

- National and international schools
- Higher education and training
- Corporate learning and development
- Global education
- Humanitarian groups
- Community leadership and engagement
- National resource management
- Environmental interpretation
- Museums and heritage.



# Postgraduate coursework applications

Apply directly to JCU, either by a form you download, complete and return, or by using the [Online Application Portal](#).

Your application must reach us before the deadline for your course.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Postgraduate courses will usually require completion of an appropriate undergraduate degree for entry. You'll need to include certified copies of qualifications and academic records with your application. For some programs, appropriate work experience or equivalent qualifications will be considered.

The entry requirements for each course are included on the Apply now page for the course.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

To find out more, call 1800 246 446  
or contact the [Student Enquiry Centre](#).

## Contact us

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