



Master of Education

UNDA Course Code (see below)
Not available for International Students
2010

INTRODUCTION

The University of Notre Dame provides a Master of Education program for teachers who are four-year trained and hold a Bachelor Education or a first degree plus a Graduate Diploma of Education (or equivalent).

It is recommended that students entering the degree would normally have at least three years professional experience and strong grades in their undergraduate degree.

The Master of Education is a comprehensive postgraduate degree that provides an opportunity for educators with practical experience to continue their professional development and to develop both an in-depth knowledge and understanding in a key professional area. Units are available in a mix of modes: external, intensive or semester. Students should check the unit schedule to determine the mode(s) of a particular unit.

COURSE OUTLINE

Courses can be undertaken in one of three pathways: all-coursework degrees; coursework and dissertation; and degree by thesis (research). For the Coursework degree, Notre Dame requires students to develop a program of study that incorporates compulsory units, a specialisation strand and an elective.

BY COURSEWORK ALONE

This is a one-year full-time course or its part time equivalent. This course requires completion of 8 units. Students will find that the range of units available, both within the School of Education and other Schools of Notre Dame, offers them a wide selection of diverse and professionally stimulating units.

The compulsory units are:

One unit of Theology or Ethics
One unit of Research Methods
Contemporary Issues in Education
One elective unit

Students must complete four units from one of these specialisations:

Religious Education
Leadership and Management
Early Childhood Education
Special Learning Needs
Curriculum

BY COURSEWORK AND DISSERTATION

The Master of Education can be completed by coursework and an investigation or similar study, the results of which are embodied in a dissertation that comprises half of the program. The student must complete the three compulsory units of coursework, an elective, plus a dissertation equivalent to four units of study. The coursework and dissertation Masters normally requires the completion of a minimum two academic years of full-time study or its part-time equivalent.

SPECIALISATION DEGREES

MASTER OF EDUCATION (RELIGIOUS EDUCATION) UNDA Course Code 5031

Compulsory units

One 500 level Theology or Ethics
One 600 level Research Methods
Contemporary Issues in Education

Four Specialisation units

Christian Formation in Education
Values across the Curriculum
Critical Issues in Religious Education I
Critical Issues in Religious Education II
Justice & Social Teaching
Pastoral Care and the School
Theories & Models of Leadership in Catholic Schools
Creative Arts Serving Religious Education
Religious and Spiritual Development of Youth
The Professional Religious Educator
Theology of Leadership
Reel to Real: Teaching Religion using the Arts & Film

Plus one elective unit

MASTER OF EDUCATION (LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT) UNDA Course Code 5029

Compulsory units

One 500 level Theology or Ethics unit
One 600 Research methods unit
Contemporary Issues in Education

Four Specialisation units

Management Theory and Practice
Human Resource Management
Schools, Industrial Relations and the Law
Theories & Models of Leadership in Catholic Schools
Theology of Leadership
Schools as Organisations
Leadership as Reflective Practice
Professional Supervision of Beginning Teachers
Improving Schools and Teaching
Strategic Management in Education
Ethical Leadership for Today's Organisation
The Professional Religious Educator

Plus one elective unit

Please note: students must select at least two Education coded units as part of the Specialisation.

MASTER OF EDUCATION (CURRICULUM)
UNDA Course Code 5027

Compulsory units

One 500 level Theology or Ethics unit
One 600 level Research methods unit
Contemporary Issues in Education

Four Specialisation units

Values across the Curriculum
Issues in the Education of Boys
Leading Curriculum Planning
Intelligence & Emotional Learning
Teaching in the Middle Years of Schooling
Adaptive Education for the Inclusive Classroom
Strategic Management in Education
Trends in Assessment and Evaluation
Trends in Early Childhood Development and Teaching
Children of High Ability: Gifted and Talented

Plus one elective unit

**MASTER OF EDUCATION
(EARLY CHILDHOOD)**
UNDA Course Code 5028

Compulsory units

One 500 level Theology or Ethics unit
One 600 level Research methods unit
Contemporary Issues in Education

Four Specialisation units

Trends in Early Childhood Development and Teaching
Integration in Early Childhood Education
Global Perspectives in Early Childhood
Kindergarten and Pre-Primary Qualifying School Experience
(requirement for ECE qualification)
OR
Evaluation of Early Childhood School Experience (for primary
teachers currently employed in Kindergarten or Pre-Primary)

Plus one elective unit

MASTER OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL NEEDS)
UNDA Course Code 5032

Compulsory units

One 500 level Theology or Ethics unit
One 600 level Research methods unit
Contemporary Issues in Education

Four Specialisation units

Educating Children with Special Needs
Teaching Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders
Instructional Strategies for Learning Difficulties
Behaviour Management and Social Skills Instruction
Adaptive Education for the Inclusive Classroom
Children of High Ability: Gifted and Talented

Plus one elective unit

MODE OF STUDY & ASSESSMENT

Students may undertake study as a part-time or full-time student, commencing in Summer Term (January), First Semester (February), in Winter Term (June) or in Second Semester (August), subject to unit availability. The assessment of competency in each unit may consist of tutorial performance and a number of assignments or projects during the semester.

It is also possible for some of these courses to be completed in external mode.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applications should be received at least one month prior to commencement. However, there are limited places available in postgraduate courses and they will be filled on a first-come first-served basis, so early application is encouraged.

FURTHER INFORMATION

The information contained in this publication is designed as a basic course description. If you would like further information regarding the courses, or information pertaining to admissions, fees or the University itself, please consult the University prospectus.

If you would like to view the University facilities please contact the Prospective Student Office on (08) 9433 0533 or at future@nd.edu.au

Visit the web site at www.nd.edu.au

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