

Bachelor of Education (Secondary) (Honours) Teaching Area Requirements

A **Teaching Area** is an area of study (for example, English, Mathematics, History, Biology etc.) that you wish to focus on in your program in order to gain [NSW Education Standards Authority \(NESA\)](#) accreditation upon graduation. A course will count towards your Teaching Area (First or Additional) if it is listed as a compulsory or directed course under the relevant Teaching Area in the [program handbook](#). To graduate and receive NESA Accreditation for a Teaching Area, you must complete all the Teaching Area requirements listed under that teaching area. You can find the list of Teaching Area requirements in the program handbook.

All Bachelor of Education (Secondary) (Honours) students must complete a First Teaching Area and have the option of completing Additional Teaching Areas. There are several options that students may consider.

*Due to some Teaching Areas sharing Compulsory Specialist Studies Methods courses, it is possible to combine up to four teaching Areas. For example: three Science Teaching Areas; Physics and a second Science Teaching Area and Mathematics; three Language Teaching Areas; Modern History and Ancient History and a third Teaching Area; Modern History and Ancient History, Society and Culture and Studies of Religion. Please discuss teaching area combinations with your **Program Convenor** in the first instance.

* If your First and Additional Teaching Areas have overlapping Compulsory Specialist Studies Methods courses, you can undertake an additional Elective in this place. Students can use Electives to meet an Additional Teaching Area where the Additional Teaching Area shares Compulsory Specialist Studies Methods courses with the First or Second Teaching Areas.

* Investigating Science is only available to students undertaking a Science First Teaching Area: Biology or Chemistry or Earth and Environmental Science or Physics.

* Students who wish to qualify in the Mathematics/Physics NESA teaching area will be required to complete the Physics First Teaching Area and the Mathematics Additional Teaching Area.

A full list of all Teaching Areas (First and Additional) is detailed in [Table 1](#).

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Table 1 – Teaching Areas	
First Teaching Areas	Additional Teaching Area
Computing Information Systems and Software Design	Not Available as an Additional Teaching Area
Health and Physical Education	Not Available as an Additional Teaching Area
Humanities – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aboriginal Studies • Ancient History • Business Studies • Drama (only available to students who commenced in the B Education (Secondary) program prior to 2021) • Economics • English • French • Geography • German • Japanese • Modern History • Society and Culture 	Humanities – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aboriginal Studies • Ancient History • Business Studies • Chinese • Drama (only available to students who commenced in the B Education (Secondary) program prior to 2021) • Economics • English • French • Geography • German • Legal Studies • Japanese • Modern History • Society and Culture • Studies of Religion

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<p>Design and Technology – Available as a First Teaching Area only. Students undertaking Design and Technology must also undertake one of the following Technology Teaching Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Technology; • Information Processes and Technology • Industrial Technology: Engineering; • Industrial Technology Graphics & Multimedia; • Software Design and Development; <i>or</i> • Textiles and Design (only available to students who commenced in the B Education (Secondary) program prior to 2021) 	<p>Technology Additional Teaching Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engineering Studies • Food Technology • Industrial Technology: Engineering • Industrial Technology Graphics & Multimedia • Information Processes and Technology • Software Design and Development • Textiles and Design (only available to students who commenced in the B Education (Secondary) program prior to 2021)
<p>Design and Technology Industrial Technology Timber and Metal – Available as a First Teaching Area only.</p>	Not Available as an Additional Teaching Area
Mathematics	Mathematics
<p>Science - Available as a First Teaching Area only</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • Chemistry • Earth & Environmental Science • Physics 	<p>Not Available as an Additional Teaching Area</p> <p>Investigating Science is only available to students undertaking a Science as a First Teaching Area; Biology or Chemistry or Earth and Environmental Science or Physics</p>
<p>Visual Arts – Available as a First Teaching Area only (only available to students who commenced in the B Education (Secondary) program prior to 2021)</p>	Not Available as an Additional Teaching Area
Not Available as a First Teaching Area	Special Education
Not Available as a First Teaching Area	TESOL (Teaching English as an additional Language)

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Program requirements

The program requires the successful completion of a total of 330 units. Most courses are 10 units, but some are 20 or 30 units.

Students **must** only complete courses that form part of the program and **must not** complete more than 330 units.

Core courses are courses that everyone in your program completes. An example of a core course is EDUC1038.

Discipline courses are courses that you take in your teaching area (for example; History courses, English courses, Sciences courses, etc.). Discipline courses can be compulsory (must complete) or directed (chosen from a list).

Compulsory Specialist Studies Methods courses teach you how to teach your teaching area. It is important that you complete these compulsory specialist studies methods courses when they appear on your program plan as they are pre-requisites for your placement.

Electives are courses you can select from all courses available at the University that do not have any other conditions (such as a program requisite) applied to them. Depending on your teaching areas, you may not have room for electives in your program.

This program is accredited by the [NSW Education Standards Authority \(NESA\)](#) with a sequential course enrolment pattern. Core and compulsory courses are sequenced to provide foundational knowledge as students move through each year of study. This sequence is detailed in the relevant program plan.

Students **must** successfully complete the previous course or courses in sequence.

Students are also required to meet **additional** [academic and non-academic admission requirements](#) in the first year of the program to ensure progression into second year education courses.

Students are required to successfully complete 190 units of Core Courses and ONE of the following First Teaching Area options listed in [Table 2](#).

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Table 2 – First Teaching Area Requirements and options	
First Teaching Area (First Teaching Area)	Requirements
<u>Computing Information Systems and Software Design</u>	100 unit First Teaching Area (70 units of Compulsory Courses and 30 units of Directed Courses); and 40 units of Electives.
<u>Health and Physical Education</u>	120 unit First Teaching Area (120 units of Compulsory Courses); and 20 units of Electives.
<u>Humanities –</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aboriginal Studies • Ancient History • Business Studies • Drama (only available to students who commenced in the B Education (Secondary) program prior to 2021) • Economics • English • French • Geography • German • Japanese • Modern History • Society and Culture 	One 80 unit First Teaching Area (Compulsory and Directed Courses); and one of the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One 60 unit Additional Teaching Area*; or • 40 units of TESOL Courses and 20 units of Electives; or • 40 units of Special Education Courses and 20 units of Electives; or • 60 units of Electives*. <p>*If your First and Additional Teaching Areas have overlapping Compulsory Specialist Studies Methods courses, you can undertake an additional Elective in this place. Students can use Electives to meet an Additional Teaching Area where the Additional Teaching Area shares Compulsory Specialist Studies Methods courses with the First or Second Teaching Areas.</p>

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<p><u>Design and Technology with a choice of one of the following Technology Teaching Areas:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food Technology; • Information Processes and Technology; • Industrial Technology Engineering; • Industrial Technology Graphics & Multimedia; • Software Design and Development; or • Textiles and Design (only available to students who commenced in the B Education (Secondary) program prior to 2021). 	<p>120 unit First Teaching Area (80 units of Compulsory Courses and 40 units of Technology Second Teaching Area Courses); and 30 units of Electives.</p>
<p><u>Design and Technology Industrial Technology Timber and Metal</u></p>	<p>120 unit First Teaching Area Compulsory Courses; and 20 units of Electives.</p>
<p><u>Mathematics</u></p>	<p>110 unit First Teaching Area (80 units of Compulsory Courses and 30 units of Directed Courses); and 30 units of Electives.</p> <p>Please note that there are different pathways available in this First Teaching Area based on student's previous mathematical knowledge. Students who do not meet the enrolment requisite for MATH1110 must take MATH1002 Foundational Studies in Mathematics. For these students MATH1002 will count for 10 units of electives.</p>

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<p>Science –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • Chemistry • Earth & Environmental Science • Physics 	<p>One 80 unit First Teaching Area (40 units of Compulsory Courses and 40 units of Directed Courses); and one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 units of Directed Courses from second science First Teaching Area and 20 units of Electives; or • 60 units of Investigating Science Courses; or • 60 units of Mathematics Additional Teaching Area courses; or • One 60 unit Additional Teaching Area; or • 40 units of TESOL Courses and 20 units of Electives; or • 40 units of Special Education Courses and 20 units of Electives; or • 60 units of Electives*.
<p>Visual Arts (only available to students who commenced in the B Education (Secondary) program prior to 2021)</p>	<p>One 120 unit First Teaching Area (90 units of Compulsory Courses and 30 units of Directed Courses); and 20 units of Electives.</p>

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