Bachelor of Education (Secondary) Transition Arrangements 2019

The NSW Minister for Education has approved changes to the New South Wales Education Standards Authority (NESA) Subject Content Knowledge Requirements for all teaching areas, to be implemented from 1 January 2019.

In order to enable students to meet the minimum specialist teaching area accreditation requirements, amendments have been made to some majors and minors in the Bachelor of Education (Secondary) [40107] and Bachelor of Education (Secondary) (Honours) [40108] programs.

In line with NESA terminology:

Majors will be called First Teaching Areas.

Minors will be called Additional Teaching Areas.

For students who commenced the program prior to 2019 the following transition arrangements are in place:

A. Computing Information Systems and Software Design major

From 2019, the Computing Information Systems and Software Design major will reduce from 120 units in total to 100 units in total, comprising of 70 units of compulsory courses and 30 units of directed courses.

Courses completed pre-2019 will count towards the 2019 program requirements.

Please refer to the 2019 Computing Major Transition Arrangements in the Addition Documents Section for more details.

B. Design and Technology major (pre-2019 Design Technologies)

From 2019, the name of the major will change to Design and Technology. There are no changes to the number of units required to complete the major, this remains at 120 units total, comprising 80 units of Compulsory Design and Technology courses with 40 units of courses taken from one of the Technology Additional Teaching Areas.

The Industrial Technology: Timber and Metal minor has been removed from the program, as it no longer meets the new NESA teaching area accreditation requirements. However, students are advised to transition to the Industrial Technology Engineering Additional Teaching Area.

Name changes and course requirements have changed for the Technology Additional Teaching Areas:
• Software Design and Development has been introduced as an Additional Teaching Area.
• Computing Technology replaced with Information Processes and Technology.
• Engineering Technology replaced with Industrial Technology Engineering.
• Food Technology name remains the same.
• Textiles Technology replaced with Textiles and Design.

Courses completed pre-2019 will count towards the 2019 program requirements.

Please refer to the 2019 Design and Technology Major Transition Arrangements in the Additional Documents Section for more details.

C. Technology Additional Teaching Areas (pre-2019 minors)

From 2019, the technology minors are called Additional Teaching Areas. There are no changes to the number of units required to complete each Additional Teaching Area, this remains at 60 units total.

The Design Technology minor has been removed from the program as it no longer meets the new NESA teaching area accreditation requirements. If you commenced in the Design Technology minor in 2018, please seek advice from program.advice@newcastle.edu.au to discuss your options.

The Industrial Technology: Timber and Metal minor has been removed from the program as it no longer meets the new NESA teaching area accreditation requirements. However, students are advised to transition to the Industrial Technology Engineering Additional Teaching Area.

Name changes and course requirements have changed for the Additional Technology Teaching Areas:
• Computing: Software Design replaced with Software Design and Development.
• Computing: Information Processing replaced with Information Processes and Technology.
• Engineering Technology replaced with Engineering Studies.
• Food Technology name remains the same.
• Textiles Technology replaced with Textiles and Design.

Courses completed pre-2019 will count towards the 2019 program requirements.

Please refer to the 2019 Technology Minors Transition Arrangements in the Additional Documents Section for more details.
D. Science Majors and Minors

From 2019, minors (Additional Teaching Areas) are no longer available in any of the Science teaching areas, as they no longer meet the new NESA teaching area accreditation requirements.

Students who transferred from one of the pre-2018 Bachelor of Teaching (Honours) programs with credit and the intention of completing a Science minor in the Bachelor of Education (Secondary), will still be able to complete the Science as an additional teaching area, under NESA’s three-year phase in period. This arrangement is provided you have completed some science courses in 2018 as part of the B Education (Secondary) program. If you are a student in this situation, please seek enrolment advice from programadvice@newcastle.edu.au.

Extend Studies in Science has been removed from the program.

Investigating Science has been introduce for students completing a Science (Biology or Chemistry or Earth and Environmental Science or Physics) major (First Teaching Area) to enable students to qualify for accreditation to teach Science – stage 3 and 4 and Investigating Science Stage 6.

NESA have introduced a new Mathematics/Physics teaching area. Students who wish to qualify in the Mathematics/Physics NESA teaching area will be required to complete the Physics major (first teaching area) and the Mathematics Additional Teaching Area.

Please refer to the 2019 Science Transition Arrangements in the Addition Documents Section for more details.

E. Visual Arts major

Effective Semester 1 2019, some AART courses have undergone a name change and some AART course have changed course levels. Directed Courses AART2260 and AART2270 have been removed from the major and there are changes to the Directed Course lists.

- Directed Course B - 2D Principle Studio is now Directed Course B - 2D Visual Art.
- Courses previously listed in the Directed B Courses - Photo Studio are incorporated into the Directed Course B - 2D Visual Art list.
- Directed Course B - 3D Principle Studio is now Directed C Courses - 3D/4D Visual Art with additional choice in Animation and Media Production courses.

The Visual Arts Extended Studies options do not lead to students qualifying with an Additional Teaching Area.

Courses completed pre-2019 will count towards the 2019 major requirements.

Please refer to the 2019 Visual Arts Major Transition Arrangements in the Addition Documents Section for more details.
F. New for 2019 – Legal Studies Additional Teaching Area

From 2019, students wishing to undertake Legal Studies as an Additional Teaching Area may complete the 60 unit requirement for Legal Studies, comprising of 20 units of Compulsory Specialist Studies Courses (EDUC2060 and EDUC4092) and 40 units of Directed Courses.

Students’ who have already completed EDUC2060 and/or EDUC4092 as part of their major or another Additional Teaching Area, must undertake a 10 unit Elective in place of each course.

If you require further advice, please contact programadvice@newcastle.edu.au.