

# Bachelor of Education (Secondary) Teaching Area Requirements

A Teaching Area is an area of study (for example, English, Drama, Mathematics, Visual Arts etc.) that you wish to focus on in your program in order to gain 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) students must complete a First Teaching Area (Major) and have the option of completing Additional Teaching Areas. There are several options that students may consider.

\* Extended Studies is an option in three majors: Health and Physical Education; Mathematics; and Visual Arts. Completing Extended Studies will lead to NESA Accreditation in **ONE** Teaching Area only, there is no room to complete an Additional Teaching Area if you are completing Extended Studies.

\* 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 major: 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 as their 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
<b>Health and Physical Education</b> Additional Option - Health & Physical Education Extended Studies	Not Available as an Additional Teaching Area
<b>Humanities –</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aboriginal Studies</li> <li>• Ancient History</li> <li>• Business Studies</li> <li>• Drama</li> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• English</li> <li>• French</li> <li>• Geography</li> <li>• German</li> <li>• Japanese</li> <li>• Modern History</li> <li>• Society and Culture</li> </ul>	<b>Humanities –</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aboriginal Studies</li> <li>• Ancient History</li> <li>• Business Studies</li> <li>• Chinese</li> <li>• Drama</li> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• English</li> <li>• French</li> <li>• Geography</li> <li>• German</li> <li>• Japanese</li> <li>• Legal Studies</li> <li>• Modern History</li> <li>• Society and Culture</li> <li>• Studies of Religion</li> <li>• TESOL (Teaching English as an additional Language)</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Design and Technology</b> – Available as a <b>First Teaching Area only</b>. Students undertaking Design and Technology <b>must</b> also undertake <b>one</b> of the following Technology Teaching Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food Technology;</li> <li>• Information Processes and Technology;</li> <li>• Industrial Technology Engineering;</li> <li>• Industrial Technology Graphics &amp; Multimedia;</li> <li>• Software Design and Development; <i>or</i></li> <li>• Textiles and Design.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Technology Additional Teaching Areas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food Technology</li> <li>• Industrial Technology Engineering</li> <li>• Industrial Technology Graphics &amp; Multimedia</li> <li>• Information Processes and Technology</li> <li>• Software Design and Development</li> <li>• Textiles and Design</li> </ul>
<p><b>Mathematics</b></p> <p>Additional Option - Mathematics Extended Studies</p>	<p><b>Mathematics</b></p>
<p><b>Science</b> - Available as a <b>First Teaching Area only</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Chemistry</li> <li>• Earth &amp; Environmental Science</li> <li>• Physics</li> </ul>	<p>Not Available as an Additional Teaching Area</p> <p><b>Investigating Science</b> 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><b>Visual Arts</b> – Available as a <b>First Teaching Area only</b></p> <p>Additional Option - Visual Arts Extended Studies</p>	<p>Not Available as an Additional Teaching Area</p>

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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.

Core courses are courses that everyone in your program completes. An example of a core course is EDUC1038. It is important to complete core courses when they are scheduled on your program plan.

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.

**Students are required to successfully complete 150 units of Core Courses; and ONE of the following Major (First Teaching Area) options listed in [Table 2](#).**

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Table 2 – First Teaching Area Requirements and options	
Major (First Teaching Area)	Requirements
<u>Computing Information Systems and Software Design</u>	<p>100 unit Major <b>and one of the following options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One 60 unit Additional Teaching Area and 20 units of Electives <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units of TESOL Courses and 40 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units of Special Education Courses and 40 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 80 units of Electives.</li> </ul>
<u>Health and Physical Education</u>	<p>120 unit Major; <b>and one of the following options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One 60 unit Additional Teaching Area; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 50 units of Extended Studies Courses and 10 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units TESOL Courses and 20 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units of Special Education Courses and 20 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 60 units of Electives.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Humanities –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aboriginal Studies</li> <li>• Ancient History</li> <li>• Business Studies</li> <li>• Drama</li> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• English</li> <li>• French</li> <li>• Geography</li> <li>• German</li> <li>• Japanese</li> <li>• Modern History</li> <li>• Society and Culture</li> </ul>	<p>One 80 unit Major; <b>and</b></p> <p>One 60 unit Additional Teaching Area; <b>and one of the following options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 40 units of TESOL Courses; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units of Special Education Courses; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units of Electives.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Design and Technology with a choice of one of the following Technology Teaching Areas:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food Technology;</li> <li>• Information Processes and Technology;</li> <li>• Industrial Technology Engineering;</li> <li>• Industrial Technology Graphics &amp; Multimedia;</li> <li>• Software Design and Development; or</li> <li>• Textiles and Design.</li> </ul>	<p>120 unit Major; <b>and one of the following options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One 60 unit Additional Teaching Area; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units of TESOL Courses and 20 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units of Special Education Courses and 20 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 60 units of Electives.</li> </ul>

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<p><b><u>Mathematics</u></b></p>	<p>110 unit Major; <b>and one of the following options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One 60 unit Additional Teaching Area and 10 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 30 units Extended Studies Courses and 40 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 30 units Extended Studies Courses and 40 units of TESOL Minor; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 30 units Extended Studies Courses and 40 units of Special Education Minor; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units of TESOL Courses and 30 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 40 units of Special Education Courses and 30 units of Electives.</li> </ul> <p>Please note that there are different pathways available in this Major based on student's previous <a href="#">mathematical knowledge</a>.</p>
<p><b><u>Science –</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Chemistry</li> <li>• Earth &amp; Environmental Science</li> <li>• Physics</li> </ul>	<p>One 80 unit Major; <b>and one of the following options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 40 units of Directed Courses from second science major and 40 units of Directed Courses from third science major and 20 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 60 units of Investigating Science Courses and 40 units from <b>one</b> of the options below; <b>or</b></li> <li>• 60 units of Mathematics Additional Teaching Area courses and 40 units from <b>one</b> of the options below; <b>or</b></li> <li>• One 60 unit Additional Teaching Area and 40 units from <b>one</b> of the options below:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 40 units of Directed Courses from second science major; <b>or</b></li> <li>▪ 40 units of TESOL Courses; <b>or</b></li> <li>▪ 40 units of Special Education Courses; <b>or</b></li> <li>▪ 40 units of Electives.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<u>Visual Arts</u>	<p>One 120 unit Major; <b>and one of the following options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• One 60 unit Additional Teaching Area; <b>or</b></li><li>• 60 units Extended Studies Courses; <b>or</b></li><li>• 40 units TESOL Courses and 20 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li><li>• 40 units of Special Education Courses and 20 units of Electives; <b>or</b></li><li>• 60 units Electives.</li></ul>
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