Primary Education student Maddision strives to recognise the potential in every student she teaches. That’s the approach she took during her practical placement in rural Dubbo, New South Wales. It was there she realised her own potential as a teacher. Working with children across a wide spectrum of backgrounds – including Indigenous students and students with special needs – Maddison found purpose in identifying and catering to individual styles of learning. Maddison relishes every opportunity to work with the experienced academic staff in the School of Education, learning from their real-life examples as well as from cutting-edge pedagogical theory. For Maddison, the chance to make a lifelong impact on the next generation of students is the ultimate reward.

Maddison
Bachelor of Education (Primary)
A great teacher can change lives and truly impact the communities in which they work. Through our education degrees you’ll learn more than just how to teach – you’ll gain the skills needed to empower future generations and inspire young minds. A career in education is rewarding and diverse, and with access to the latest technologies including TeachLivE simulated classrooms, you’ll graduate with globally-transferable skills and qualifications.

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**TOP 150**

in the world for Education

**95.2%**

of Education graduates found employment within four months

**$65,608**

average starting salary for Education graduates in NSW

**DEGREE OPTIONS**

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary)
Bachelor of Education (Primary)
Bachelor of Education (Secondary)

**ALSO CONSIDER**

Diploma in Languages

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1. QS World University Rankings by Subject 2019
2. Quality Indicators of Learning and Teaching 2017
3. Teach NSW 2018
FREE PATHWAYS

We’re proud to be the largest provider of enabling programs in Australia.

If you don’t have the qualifications required for direct entry, you still have the opportunity to access university studies through our pathway programs, regardless of your background or level of previous education. The programs are offered free of charge and upon successful completion, you’re guaranteed entry to over 40 undergraduate degrees at the University of Newcastle.

• Newstep
  If you didn’t complete Year 12, or missed the chance to get the marks needed for university entry, our Newstep program offers the perfect pathway between secondary schooling and university. Study on campus at Newcastle or the Central Coast.

• Open Foundation
  If you’ve never studied at university before and you’re considering a degree qualification after time in the workforce or caring for family, or just looking to further your interests, our Open Foundation program can help make this happen.

• Yapug - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students
  Yapug is a pathway program providing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with skills for entry into undergraduate degrees, including a pathway into Medicine. Start your university experience in a culturally appropriate learning environment, supported by Indigenous peers and staff.

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LIFESTYLE

Our coastline is world famous. Enjoying downtime at one of Newcastle’s pristine beaches and three coastal baths is made easy with long stretches of uncrowded sand, accessible public transport, and plenty of free parking. A creative hub, Newcastle is home to the bright ideas of countless innovators and entrepreneurs. Enjoy all that Newcastle has to offer – a dynamic art and music scene, chilled-out cafes, eclectic markets, microbreweries and small bars. The people are friendly, the beaches are picture perfect and the coffee culture is taken seriously.

CAMPUS LIFE

On campus, you have access to a wide range of cafes, food outlets and bars. The University is also home to over 150 clubs, societies and social groups – giving you the chance to regularly participate in fun activities.

Great health and fitness facilities await you at The Forum University (Callaghan) and Harbourside (Newcastle City). You’ll find a 50m indoor heated swimming pool, fitness classes, state-of-the-art equipment, indoor courts and casual or structured social sport competitions all year. No matter which campus you study at, there’s always something happening during the semester. There are plenty of events from Orientation Party to festivals and local gigs. You could attend study workshops, guest lectures or kick back and enjoy watching a movie by moonlight.

newcastle.edu.au/uonstudentliving

ACCOMMODATION

While the thought of moving away from your home town to study might seem daunting, we’re here to make this transition as easy as possible. We offer students secure, affordable and comfortable accommodation while studying.

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YEAR 12 SUBJECT SPOTLIGHT

Early Entry Program

We believe that your ATAR doesn’t define who you are – it is your unique passions, abilities and ambitions that matter. Our Year 12 Subject Spotlight program rewards you with an early offer for your hard work and strong results in individual subjects related to your degree. So, you can take some of the stress out of your final school exams, knowing your ATAR isn’t all that matters.

There is no separate application for the program – simply apply through UAC to qualify. You can find more information on subjects aligned to specific degrees online.

newcastle.edu.au/subject-spotlight
STUDY ABROAD

Are you keen to take your studies around the world?

When you study here, you’ll have the chance to travel and get credit for your degree at the same time. There are opportunities for international experiences across every area of study, whether it's an overseas exchange program, study tour or work placement. Discover new cultures, try new food and make friends from all over the world. With more than 100 partner universities across all major continents, it really is the chance of a lifetime.

newcastle.edu.au/studyoverseas

CAREER-READY GRADUATES

Sometimes it’s best to dive straight in. That’s why exciting industry experience and Work Integrated Learning is at the core of all our degrees. Our strong partnerships with local and global organisations ensure everything you study is shaped by the real world and you graduate ready for a career in your field. Our Career Services Team are also on hand to help you out with everything from resumes and employment workshops to advice on your career goals.

THE MA & MORLEY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Tanisha is a young Worimi and Biripai woman who grew up on Darkinjung country on the Central Coast. From a young age she has been learning and sharing ideas about Indigenous culture and education. This included representing her school at international conferences and delivering Acknowledgements of Country in Darkinjung language since Year 2. Tanisha believes that recognising the value and strength in our differences is key to a multicultural and just society. Channelling her desire to help others, in high school she started a charity to collect personal items for people without shelter. With her Bachelor of Education (Primary) Tanisha hopes to instil a passion for education and knowledge among young people as a primary school teacher.

Tanisha
Bachelor of Education (Primary)

SCHOLARSHIPS

You might be bursting with new ideas, passion and potential. But without support, attending university can sometimes seem impossible.

The University of Newcastle’s scholarship programs have been designed to provide this support and give you the opportunity to develop your talent and explore your potential.

We have over 1,000 individual scholarships on offer including:
• scholarships for academic achievement
• support for individuals facing financial hardship and educational disadvantage
• support for Indigenous students
• opportunities to travel, perform, play sport, relocate, or gain global experience.

Visit the website to find a scholarship that fits for you
newcastle.edu.au/scholarships

SHAPING FUTURES SCHOLARSHIPS

The Shaping Futures Scholarship Fund provides support for students who are most in need - helping them to overcome disadvantage to pursue and maintain their achievements.

Scholarships are offered to academically gifted students facing educational disadvantage such as financial hardship, relocation from a regional or remote area, a long term or recurrent medical condition or illness, carer or sole parenting responsibilities, an asylum seeker recently completing a University of Newcastle enabling program, or a combination of these factors.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SCHOLARSHIPS

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarships were established through contributions from the University, industry donors, community organisations and the annual Reconciliation Scholarship Dinner Dance. These scholarships provide Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students financial support to assist with completing their studies.

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Influence lives and shape young minds.
The Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary) leads to a rewarding career that allows you to work across two sectors.

- **Preschool and Early Childhood** (birth – 5 years)
- **Primary School** (Kindergarten – Year 6)

You will be prepared to work with diverse families and children in childcare centres, preschools, and primary school classrooms.

**2020 SELECTION RANK**

62.00 | Median 70.13

**CAREER EXAMPLES**

- Early Childhood Teacher
- Primary School Teacher
- Early Childhood Centre Director
- Community Educator
- Curriculum Developer
- Educational Researcher

**ACCREDITATION**

Accredited by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) and the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA)

**PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE**

You will complete three diverse professional experience placements totaling at least 90 days. You can also take advantage of:

- **Teach Outreach** – a volunteer placement program
- **TeachLive** – teach online avatars in a virtual classroom
- **New Colombo Plan Mobility Program** – experience teaching in bilingual classrooms in Asia.
MATTHEW’S STORY

“The satisfaction of teaching a child something that will stay with them for the rest of their lives is a feeling that’s almost impossible to achieve in any other field.”

For Early Childhood and Primary teaching student Matthew, returning to study after years in the workforce was a decision he didn’t take lightly. As someone who always had a passion for educating – even from an early age he would help his younger siblings with their homework – Matthew knew that a career in teaching was a calling he needed to follow.

After speaking with friends and fellow teachers about their positive experience studying at the University of Newcastle, Matthew took a chance and enrolled in the degree.

For Matthew, the program continues to challenge him, inspire him and encourage him, both in and out of the classroom.

He’s re-discovered the joy of teaching young children and is excited to embark on a career which will see him inspire and impact future generations.

Matthew
Bachelor of Teaching*
(Early Childhood and Primary) (Honours)

*This program is now called Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary)

TRANSFORMING THE FUTURE OF TEACHING

Laureate Professor Jennifer Gore is teaching the teachers. As the leader of the Teachers and Teaching Research Centre, her approach to professional development is set to transform the future of teaching. Developed in association with Dr Julie Bowe, Quality Teaching Rounds is centred on quality and equity, and builds individual capacity for improving teaching. It helps teachers to identify what counts as good teaching using a rigorously-developed and comprehensive pedagogical model. It assists teachers to analyse and refine their own and each other’s practice, through processes that attend carefully to the power relations inherent in collaboration. This exciting program of work has already been introduced to more than 2,500 schools throughout Australia and is ready to make a global impact.

Laureate Professor Jennifer Gore
School of Education
Empower future generations and influence positive change within communities.

As a primary teacher, you could find yourself inspiring the next generation of leaders or developing a program to encourage early interest in industries like maths and science. Being a primary teacher goes well beyond teaching maths and ABCs – you’ll play a critical role in the growth and transition of children into young adults. Use your skills and knowledge to nurture strong and confident people.

2020 SELECTION RANK
62.00 | Median 71.98

CAREER EXAMPLES
• Primary School Teacher
• Special Education Teacher
• Education Policy Analyst
• Educational Materials Developer
• Curriculum Developer
• Community Educator

ACCREDITATION
Accredited by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA)

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE
You will complete three diverse professional experience placements totalling at least 90 days. You can also take advantage of:
• Teach Outreach – a volunteer placement program
• TeachLive – teach online avatars in a virtual classroom
• New Colombo Plan Mobility Program – experience teaching in bilingual classrooms in Asia.
**TeachLivE**

Learn to teach in a virtual classroom.

Practice your teaching skills with virtual reality children before your placements start. You will plan, prepare and deliver minilessons to student avatars, allowing you to become familiar with the classroom setting in a simulated environment. TeachLivE is a partnership with the University of Central Florida in America and Murdoch University in Perth. 

[teachlive.novsemico.edu.au](http://teachlive.novsemico.edu.au)

**TEACH OUTREACH**

Volunteer on placement projects to develop your teaching skills.

Our schools, early childhood centres and community organisation partners advertise activities that would benefit from the support of education students, and you can choose to help out. Select an activity that suits your interests, schedule and development needs as a future teacher. 

[teachoutreach.novsemico.edu.au](http://teachoutreach.novsemico.edu.au)

**TEACH READY**

Improve your confidence and teaching skills.

If you need some extra support to build your confidence in the classroom, you can self-nominate for Teach Ready. You’ll receive individual support from our staff, participate in workshops to improve your teaching performance and lesson preparation, and get personalised feedback to ensure you graduate ready for your career.
Focus on your passions and inspire young adults.

Our graduates are both qualified teachers and highly skilled specialists who work in education as well as a range of related industries. You could find yourself encouraging a student to follow their passions in science – inspiring them to go on to make groundbreaking discoveries – or helping the quiet student to find their voice in public speaking and debating. With this degree, you will be at the forefront, shaping the minds of tomorrow’s leaders.

2020 SELECTION RANK
62.00 | Median 73.13

SPECIALISE
Specialise in more than one field and choose up to three teaching areas from a range of 32 subjects:
• Health and Physical Education
• Humanities (Aboriginal Studies, Ancient and Modern History, Business Studies, Drama, Economics, French, Geography, German, Japanese, Society and Culture)
• English
• Mathematics
• Science (Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Science, Physics)
• Technology (Design and Technology, Computing Information Systems and Software Design)
• Visual Arts
• Special Education
• TESOL (Teaching English as a Second Language)

CAREER EXAMPLES
• High School Teacher
• Special Education Teacher
• Community Educator
• Education Publication Writer or Editor
• Educational Materials Developer
• Health and Fitness Trainer

ACCREDITATION
Accredited by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA)

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE
You will get diverse hands-on teaching experience during your studies. You will complete three professional experience placements totalling at least 90 days. In some disciplines, additional Work Integrated Learning opportunities are provided. You can also take advantage of:
• Teach Outreach – a volunteer placement program
• NuTeach – an online platform that provides opportunities to network and collaborate
• TeachLivE – teach online avatars in a virtual classroom
• New Colombo Plan Mobility Program – experience teaching in bilingual classrooms in Asia.
CONNOR’S STORY

For Health and Physical Education graduate Connor, it was the practical experience that helped to shape his path. The flexibility of the program meant that Connor could implement lessons that wouldn’t normally be considered traditional teaching and loved the positive feedback he received from students.

“Having students come and say that my work has changed their perception of health and physical education, and they found themselves more engaged in the lessons I facilitated, is overwhelmingly humbling.”

Connor applied his skills gained through his studies to his role in game development with AFL NSW/ACT. Working in schools, he coordinated weekly AFL programs for young students and further developed his group management and engagement skills. Connor emphasises that nothing compared to the experience of implementing what he learned in the classroom into the real-world, which he used to secure a full-time teaching role.

Connor
Bachelor of Teaching
(Health and Physical Education) (Honours), 2019

A FAMILY APPROACH TO FITNESS

Professor Phil Morgan believes father figures have an important role in improving their children’s wellbeing. Through a suite of innovative programs, he is proving that a father-focused approach to family fitness is key to addressing physical and mental health.

His world-first education programs targeting fathers have been groundbreaking – helping fathers engage children to be more active and eat more healthily, and improve the overall quality of life of families. His passion and dedication to promoting healthy lifestyles has been recognised with more than 30 academic awards over the past six years, including 18 national and international research excellence awards. Professor Morgan is inspired to solve some of the world’s major public health epidemics through education.

Professor Phil Morgan
School of Education
Spanning 144 countries, the University of Newcastle’s global alumni network is making a positive difference to the world.

This diverse group of global professionals provides invaluable support for our students by sharing their time and expertise. Whether it’s through a mentoring program, industry experience or attending a networking event, you’ll be inspired and empowered by those who have blazed the trail before you. And, when you graduate, you’ll be in good company. You will join this outstanding group of over 148,000 alumni around the world. Because wherever you are, whatever you’re doing, you are always part of our global alumni community.

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If you’re ready to chase your dreams and thrive, now is the time.

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