

Understanding your course

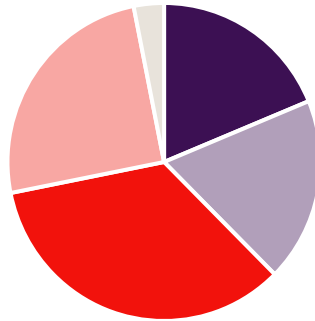
Bachelor of Education (Primary)

Commencing 2025

This document presents a simplified version of the course rules for the Bachelor of Education (Primary).

This course requires the successful completion of 320 credit points across five domains.

Course Structure: 320 credit points



- Education Studies units 60cp
- Effective Teaching units 60cp
- Primary Curriculum & Discipline Studies units 110cp
- Primary Specialisation and Extension units 80cp
- Core Curriculum units 10cp

In addition to these units, you need to successfully complete the LaNTITE (Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education) which is conducted by ACER (Australian Council of Educational Research). This is a pre-requisite for the third Effective Teaching unit (EDET200) and without a successful result being received by ACU, you will be prevented from undertaking this unit and will result in delaying the completion of the degree.

The units in this course should be completed in the correct sequence (refer to the Course Maps for students commencing in 2025). Information about individual units can be found in the online ACU Handbook.

Education Studies 60cp

The Education Studies units (coded EDES) provide broad foundational studies that support teaching.

- EDES100 Understanding Learning & Teaching
- EDES101 Educational Thought
- EDES103 Understanding Learners and their Contexts
- EDES104 Digital Cultures and Capabilities OR EDMA163 Exploring Mathematics and Numeracy[^]
- EDES105 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Knowledges, Histories and Cultures
- EDES302 Professional Communication

[^] Note: Students in NSW who have not achieved a HSC Band 4 (or better) Mathematics result **must** complete EDMA163 rather than EDES104, **and complete it within their first year of study**. NSW students who do not complete this requirement may not be eligible for teacher registration. NSW students transferring to the Bachelor of Education (Primary) having already completed EDES104 or EDEZ104 should consult with their Course Coordinator

Effective Teaching Units 60cp

The Effective Teaching units (coded EDET) prepare you for the classroom. These units usually have Professional Experience Placement (PEP) embedded in them in which you will be placed in a school for mentored teaching practice. Each experience builds on the previous one and require the completion of prerequisites.

- EDET100 Effective Teaching 1: Becoming a Teacher
 - (includes 15 days PEP) Prerequisites: EDES100 or EDES103
- EDET101 Effective Teaching 2: Curriculum, Planning and Pedagogy
 - (includes 15 days PEP) Prerequisites: EDET100
- EDET200 Effective Teaching 3: Engaging Learners and Managing Learning Environments
 - (includes 15 days PEP) Prerequisites: EDET101 and LANTITE
- EDET300 Effective Teaching 4: Students with Disability and Inclusive Education
- EDET400 Effective Teaching 5: Assessment and Data Informed Practice
 - Prerequisites: EDET200 and LANTITE
- EDET401 Effective Teaching 6: Professional Engagement and Reflection
 - Prerequisites: EDET400

Primary Curriculum & Discipline Studies 110cp

The Primary Curriculum units prepare you to teach the different curriculum areas found in primary schools. Discipline Studies units broaden your knowledge, understanding and skills in important discipline areas. Units in this domain are coded in accordance with the curriculum (e.g., AR for Arts) and are usually age specific (e.g. Birth – 8yrs). Some units are shared with the Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood & Primary) course.

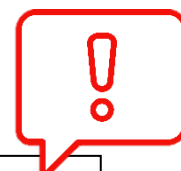
- EDAR290 The Arts Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment F 6
- EDEN100 Foundations of Literacy
- EDEN102 Children's Literature for Early Reading
- EDEN290 English Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment 1 (B-8)
 - *Prerequisites: EDEN100 or EDEN102*
- EDEN291 English Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment 2 (8-12)
 - *Prerequisites: EDEN290*
- EDHP290 Health and Physical Education Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment (F-6)
- EDMA290 Mathematics Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment 1 (B-12)
- EDMA291 Mathematics Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment 2 (F-6)
 - *Prerequisites: EDMA290*
- EDSS290 Humanities and Social Sciences Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment (F-6)
- EDSI290 Science Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment (B-12)
- EDTE290 Technologies Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment (F-6)

Primary Specialisation and Extension Units 80cp

In addition to the Primary Curriculum units listed in the previous domain, you must specialize in at least one of the following curriculum areas:

- a) English
- b) Maths
- c) Science
- d) Health & Physical Education
- e) Religious Education

The requirements for the different Primary Curriculum Specialisation are set out below.



You are required to complete 80cp in this domain. Most specialisations are 40 credit points. Fill the remaining credit points with units from other specialisations or the list of Extension units.

Note: Units identified below with '#' have pre-requisite requirements. See the unit entry in the ACU Handbook.

Note: Your Course Coordinator may approve alternative units to form an appropriate sequence of studies.

English

- EDEN345#
- EDEN410#
- six units listed in another specialisation or Primary Extension units.

Note: It is possible for NSW/ACT students to complete the requirements for both an English and Religious Education specialisation without overloading.

Maths

- NMBR141
- NMBR142
- EDMA311#
- EDMA426#
- four units listed in another specialisation or Primary Extension units.

Science

- EDSI100
- EDSI410[#]
- EDSI411[#]
- EDSI412[#]
- four units listed in another specialisation or Primary Extension units.

Health & Physical Education

- EXSC106 (NSW only) or NUTR101
- EDHP490[#]
- two of the following units:
 - EDHP310
 - EDHP311
 - EDHP312
 - EDHP313
- four units listed in another specialisation or Primary Extension units.

Religious Education

- EDRE290
- EDRE291[#]
- THBS100
- THCT100
- four units listed in another specialisation or Primary Extension units.

Note: Students wishing to teach RE in NSW or ACT Catholic schools must also study THCT202[#] as a Primary Extension unit. Whilst not necessary for other jurisdictions, THCT202 is strongly recommended for all students seeking to teach RE.

Primary Extension units

The Extension units provide an opportunity to advance your knowledge in some key areas of relevance to primary teaching.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> EDMA163 | <input type="checkbox"/> EDAR311# |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EDFX204 | <input type="checkbox"/> THCT202# |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EDMH200 | <input type="checkbox"/> EDSE111 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EDES300* | <input type="checkbox"/> EDSE410 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EDSI413** | <input type="checkbox"/> EDSE411 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ITEC100 | <input type="checkbox"/> EDSE412 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EDAR164 | <input type="checkbox"/> EDSE413 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EDAR310# | <input type="checkbox"/> EDSE415 |

Note: Students can also choose units listed in Health and Physical Education, Mathematics, Religious Education and Science specialisations that have not already been completed.

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* This unit may be offered on ACU's Rome campus. Check with your course co-ordinator.

Core Curriculum 10cp

An ACU education is about your integral human development. It is about learning to look at the world with empathy and confidence, learning to listen and lead, challenging stereotypes, and having the courage to make an impact. The university's Core Curriculum lies at the heart of this transformation. It is a key part of every ACU student's education, giving you time to reflect on what it is to be human, our common social life and ways we can change the world in important ways. In undertaking Core units at ACU, you'll be in classes with students from other disciplines, ensuring different viewpoints and lively debate.

- UNCC300** or PHCC320*

* This unit may be offered on ACU's Rome campus. Check with your course co-ordinator.

+ UNCC300 has a pre-requisite requirement of UNCC100, but students in this course are exempt from this requirement.

Semester 1 commencement (2025)

YEAR ONE	Sem1	Choose two from EDES100, EDES103, EDES105, EDES104 OR EDMA163 ¹		EDEN100	EDES101	LNTE110 (0cp)
	Sem2	Choose other two from EDES100, EDES103, EDES105, EDES104 OR EDMA163 ¹		EDEN102	Specialisation/Extension A	ACER LANTITE (0cp)
YEAR TWO	Sem1	EDET100 15 days PEP	EDEN290	EDAR290	Specialisation/Extension B	
	Sem2	EDET101 15 days PEP	EDMA290	EDHP290 ³	Specialisation/Extension C	
YEAR THREE	Sem1	EDET200 15 days PEP	EDSI290	Specialisation/Extension D	Specialisation/Extension E	
	Sem2	EDEN291	UNCC300 ² (non-RE) OR EDRE291 (RE)	EDSS290	Specialisation/Extension F	
YEAR FOUR	Summer	UNCC300 ² (RE)				
	PT2	Specialisation/Extension G				
	Sem1	EDET300 ³	EDMA291	Specialisation/Extension H		
	Winter	EDET400 ³ This unit is also offered in PT2	EDES302 ³ This unit is also offered in Semester 2	EDTE290 ³ This unit may also offered in Semester 2 in 2025		
	Sem 2	EDET401 35 days PEP				

Note: **This map is generic in nature** and provides a general sense of the sequencing of units in the course. The course rules for the BEDPRM differ slightly from year to year, mainly in the area of the Primary Subject Specialisations.

¹ NSW students who commenced in 2023 or later without Band four HSC maths result must select EDMA163 instead of EDES104 (and complete it in their first year of study).

² All students must complete UNCC300, but the best time to study it can vary due to choice of primary specialisation.

³ This unit may be offered in more than one teaching period per year on some campuses. Students seeking to reduce study loads during certain teaching periods (e.g. Winter of year 4) are advised to plan ahead and choose their enrolment pattern accordingly.

Semester 1 Commencement		Specialisation				
		RE	English	Mathematics	Science	HPE ¹
A	Yr 1, Sem2	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDSI100) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDSI100) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDSI100) ³	EDSI100	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDSI100) ³
B	Yr 2, Sem1	THBS100	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDMA163) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDMA163) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDMA163) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDMA163) ³
C	Yr 2, Sem2	THCT100	EDAR164 or ENGL111 or Primary Extension unit	NMBR141	Primary Extension unit (e.g. NMBR141) [^]	EXSC106 (NSW) or NUTR101 (other)
D	Yr 3, Sem 1	THCT202 (or extension unit in QLD)	ENGL234 (Summer) or Primary Extension unit	NMBR142	EDSI410	EDHP310 or EDHP312 ¹
E	Yr 3, Sem 1	EDRE290	Primary Extension unit (e.g., EDMH200) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g., EDMH200) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g., EDMH200) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g., EDMH200) ³
F	Yr 3, Sem 2	Primary Extension unit (EDEN345 is suggested) ³	EDEN345	EDMA311	EDSI411	EDHP311 ² (Offered only in PT2)
	Yr 3, Sem 2	EDRE291	UNCC300 ⁵	UNCC300 ⁵	UNCC300 ⁵	UNCC300 ⁵
	Yr 4, Summer	UNCC300 ⁵	NA ⁴	NA ⁴	NA ⁴	NA ⁴
G	Yr 4, PT2	Primary Extension unit (EDEN410 is suggested) ³⁴⁵	EDEN410	EDMA426	EDSI412	EDHP490
H	Yr 4, Sem 1	Primary Extension unit (if required)	Primary Extension unit	Primary Extension unit	Primary Extension unit	Primary Extension unit

¹ Students completing the HPE specialisation must take *two* of EDHP310, EDHP312 or EDHP311 in addition to EDHP490 and either EXSC106/NUTR101.

² EDHP311 is offered in PT2 at the same time as EDHP490, so if students are planning to take EDHP311, it must be taken in their 3rd year. If it is not taken in 3rd year and must be taken in 4th year, to avoid the clash with EDHP490, students may replace EDHP311 with EDEC100 in Semester 1 or 2.

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⁴ Students may elect to complete a Primary Extension unit at this time instead of during one of the other recommended times (e.g. EDES300).

⁵ All students must complete UNCC300. RE students study it in Yr 4 Summer. All other students study it in Yr 3 Sem 2.

Semester 2 commencement (2025)

YEAR ONE	Sem2	Choose other two from EDES100, EDES103, EDES105, EDES104 OR EDMA163 ¹	EDEN102	Specialisation/Extension A	LNTE110 (Ocp)
YEAR TWO	Sem1	Choose two from EDES100, EDES103, EDES105, EDES104 OR EDMA163 ¹	EDEN100	EDES101	ACER LANTITE (Ocp)
	Sem2	EDET100 15 days PEP	EDMA290	EDSS290	Specialisation/Extension C
YEAR THREE	Sem1	EDEN290	EDSI290	EDAR290	Specialisation/Extension B
	Winter	EDTE290 ³			
	Sem2	EDET101 15 days PEP	EDEN291	EDHP290 ³	Specialisation/Extension H
YEAR FOUR	Sem 1	EDET200 15 days PEP	EDMA291	Specialisation/Extension D	Specialisation/Extension E
	Sem 2	EDET300 ³	UNCC300 ² (non-RE) OR EDRE291 (RE)	EDES302 ³	Specialisation/Extension F
YEAR FIVE	Summer	UNCC300 ² (RE)			
	PT2	EDET400 ³	Specialisation/Extension G		
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Semester 2 Commencement		Specialisation				
		RE	English	Mathematics	Science	HPE ¹
A	Yr 1, Sem2	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDSI100) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDSI100) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDSI100) ³	EDSI100	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDSI100) ³
B	Yr 3, Sem1	THBS100	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDMA163) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDMA163) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDMA163) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g. EDMA163) ³
C	Yr 2, Sem2	THCT100	EDAR164 or ENGL111 or Primary Extension unit	NMBR141	Primary Extension unit (e.g. NMBR141) ³	EXSC106 (NSW) or NUTR101 (other)
H	Yr 3, Sem 2	Primary Extension unit	Primary Extension unit	Primary Extension unit	Primary Extension unit	Primary Extension unit
D	Yr 4, Sem 1	THCT202 (or extension unit in QLD)	ENGL234 (Summer) or Primary Extension unit	NMBR142	EDSI410	EDHP310 or EDHP312 ¹
E	Yr 4, Sem 1	EDRE290	Primary Extension unit (e.g., EDMH200) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g., EDMH200) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g., EDMH200) ³	Primary Extension unit (e.g., EDMH200) ³
F	Year 4, Sem 2	Primary Extension unit (EDEN345 is suggested)	EDEN345	EDMA311	EDSI411	EDHP311 ^{2,3} (Offered only in PT2)
	Yr 4, Sem 2	EDRE291	UNCC300 ⁵	UNCC300 ⁵	UNCC300 ⁵	UNCC300 ⁵
	Yr 5, Summer	UNCC300 ⁵	NA ^{4,5}	NA ⁴	NA ⁴	NA ⁴
G	Yr 5, PT2	Primary Extension unit (EDEN410 is suggested)	EDEN410	EDMA426	EDSI412	EDHP490

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