EDST6760

Professional Experience 1

DESCRIPTION
In this course teacher education students will develop a range of teaching skills and understandings essential to plan for and manage successful classrooms. Students complete a 4-week (20 consecutive days) supervised professional experience placement in a NSW school. Through ongoing observation, supervised teaching and contribution to the wider school community, the course ensures that they work towards the achievement of the Australian professional standards for teachers at the graduate level.

STRUCTURE
Prior to commencing placement, Teacher Education Students must attend the compulsory UNSW orientation session for PE1. Students are responsible for creating their InPlace profile and keeping all information up to date. You must complete all the NSW mandatory compliance documentation prior to setting foot in a NSW school (see details here).

Students complete a 4-week (20 day) professional experience block in a NSW school, teaching one third of a teacher’s FTE workload. Teacher education students should contact their supervising teacher before the placement so that they are ready to begin teaching from day 3 of week 1. Teacher education students need to be on their one-third FTE workload from the beginning of week 2 of the placement.

Teacher education students take full responsibility for the completion of at least four GROW lesson feedback and reflection forms each week of the placement including week 1. These forms form the basis of the discussion that is held with the UNSW liaison at their visit during week 2 or 3 of the placement.

ATTENDANCE
Teacher education students must attend school for the full 20 days and be involved in all aspects of the school program. This will include sport activities, yard supervision, assemblies, meetings and other duties specified by the school. Any days missed must be made up in negotiation with the school. The Attendance Record must be signed by both the Teacher Education Student and Supervising Teacher and submitted by the student to the EDST6760 course Moodle along with the PE1 Report no later than 10 working days after the completion of the placement.

ASSESSMENT
Teacher education students must complete the compulsory preparation tasks prior to the placement.

The Supervising Teacher is responsible for the completion of the PE1 Report that needs to be discussed with the Teacher Education Student before both parties sign the report. The report is then given to the student to submit to the course Moodle along with the signed Attendance Record.