

# Riverina Teaching Hub Program

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Initial Teacher Education Pathway

June 2023

NSW Department of Education



# Purpose of the program

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**Supporting the local community to commence initial teacher education degrees to become a secondary teacher in a local NSW public school.**

- Based on the Alphacrucis University College Teaching Hub model, the program supports the local community in the Riverina including school leavers and career-changers.
  - Participants will be supported to complete a teaching qualification with the University of New South Wales (UNSW) through a mixed mode of delivery on-site at a local school and online, removing the need to travel to the UNSW main campus.
  - Real classroom experience gained from day one, through paid part-time employment as an educational paraprofessional in a local school while studying.
  - 15 positions are available in 2024.
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# Program features

## Applications open on 19 June 2023



### Study towards becoming a teacher

- Study an initial teacher education degree with University of New South Wales using a hybrid delivery mode.
  - Bachelor of Education (Secondary)
  - Master of Teaching (Secondary)

### Employment in a local NSW public (secondary) school

- Part-time work as a Educational Paraprofessional a participating local school 1 day per week for the duration of studies.
- On completion, a full time permanent teaching position in an NSW public school in an agreed location.

### Financial supports

- Annual training allowance of \$7,500 per year of full-time study during the program.
- Paid part-time work during studies.

### Wrap around supports

- DoE Coordinator and UNSW Coordinator to support you with study and working aspects of the program.
- Networking opportunities with local program participants.
- Informal mentorship from a supervising teacher during work in school.

# Working in schools



## DURING THE PROGRAM

- Employed part-time as an Educational Paraprofessional in a local NSW public school working 1 day per week or the duration of the program.
- Working with a supervising teacher to support classroom activities, student learning and lesson planning.
- Participants are matched to a local participating school.
  - Albury High School
  - Murray High School
  - Corowa High School
  - Koorringal High School
  - Mount Austin High School



## AFTER THE PROGRAM

- On successful completion of the program, participants will be offered a full-time permanent role in an agreed location.
- Preference will be given to the school you have worked in as a Educational Paraprofessional during the program.
- Following completion, participants are required to complete a minimum of three years in the role as a Teacher.

# Study pathways

Pathway	Bachelor of Education (Secondary)	Master of Teaching (Secondary)
<b>Course offerings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bachelor of Arts/Education (Secondary) &gt; with a subject specialisation in History, Indigenous Studies and Languages – Chinese, French, Japanese, Korean, Spanish</li><li>• Bachelor of Science/Education (Secondary) &gt; with a subject specialisation in Mathematics only</li><li>• Bachelor of Commerce/Education (Secondary) &gt; with a subject specialisation in Business and Economics</li><li>• Bachelor of Economics/Education (Secondary) &gt; with a subject specialisation in Economics</li></ul>	A range of undergraduate specialisations.
<b>Duration</b>	4 years – full time study load	1.3 years – full time study load

Suitable pathway for students completing their HSC in 2023

# How to apply for the program in 2024



Applications will open on 19 June 2023, closing on Sunday, 6 August 2023.

# Complete your teaching studies at UNSW with the Riverina Teaching Hub Program

# Studying at UNSW



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# Why study at UNSW?

- The highest possible rating for Education research (ARC, Excellence in Research for Australia)
- Learn through **research-informed teaching**
- Prioritise career success – UNSW won the Australian Financial Review's **Most Employable Students** Award in 2023
- Benefit from **strong industry links and partnerships**



# Why study at UNSW?

- Access world-class **alumni connections**
- Join a **global top 50 university** (QS World University Rankings, 2023)
- Join a community that's part of the **prestigious Group of Eight (Go8) universities**
- Be part of a **supportive, diverse, and inclusive community**



# What would you like to teach?



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- **History, Languages, Indigenous Studies:**  
[Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education](#)  
(Secondary)
- **Business Studies, Economics, Commerce:**  
[Commerce/ Bachelor of Education](#) (Secondary)
- **Economics:** [Bachelor of Economics/ Bachelor of Education](#) (Secondary)
- **Mathematics:** [Bachelor of Science/ Bachelor of Education](#) (Secondary)

# Securing your place at UNSW

Application process for Initial Teacher  
Education degrees at UNSW



# Early Entry Pathway for undergraduate degrees: secure your place before the end the year

- Riverina Teaching Hub Program Applicants can apply for an **early entry conditional offer** for undergraduate studies at UNSW using the [UNSW Portfolio Entry Scheme](#).
- Successful Portfolio applications receive:
  - An **early conditional offer to UNSW** so you can secure your place in your chosen degree before the end of the year.
  - An **adjusted ATAR entry requirement** of up to 10 ATAR points below the lowest selection rank for your chosen degree.
- Your 'Portfolio' is your Department of Education application to the Riverina Teaching Hub Program.
- Easily submit your portfolio online on the [UNSW website](#).

# Indigenous Pre-program for Education

- Secure UNSW admission **without an ATAR** via a three-week intensive residential program at UNSW Kensington, on Bedegal land.
- Explore what it takes to become a teacher, meet and work with UNSW academics and current students, and undertake practical experience and site visits at **no cost to you**.
- **To apply:**
  - Apply through **Universities Admissions Centre (UAC)**
  - Submit a **UNSW Indigenous Pre-Programs application**, including confirmation of your Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status, your final school reports, transcripts of any courses or additional study, and other awards, achievements, or extra-curricular activities

# Indigenous Admission Scheme

- Gain admission to UNSW if you **did not achieve the ATAR you needed** for your degree.
- This admission scheme considers your relevant life, work, educational and training experience as preparation for study, and assesses your capacity to study at a tertiary level.
- **To apply:**
  - Apply through **Universities Admissions Centre (UAC)**
  - Submit a **UNSW Indigenous Admissions Scheme Application Form**, including confirmation of your Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status
  - Attend an **interview** with Nura Gili and Faculty staff



# UNSW ACCESS Scheme: Prep Program

- A **one-year pathway** to a UNSW degree place.
- You study subjects that allow you to **develop your academic skills** so that you can achieve your best results. You also **study degree level courses** from week one, to give you a realistic introduction to university-level study. If you do well, you can earn **course credit** towards your degree.
- **Course fees paid by the Australian Government.**
- Available to applicants of the **UNSW ACCESS Scheme** with an ATAR of 50 or above, or Indigenous applicants applying via the **UNSW Indigenous Admissions Scheme**.
- Apply through **Universities Admissions Centre (UAC)**, including a personal statement. An interview may also be required.

# What happens once I've completed the UNSW Prep Program?

Entry to UNSW Education courses require:

Course name	WAM	Criteria	Assumed knowledge
Arts/Education (Secondary)	50	Must pass all six compulsory courses	Band 5 or higher in any HSC English course or the equivalent
Commerce/Education (Secondary)	75	Must achieve credit in all six compulsory courses	Band 5 or higher in any HSC English course or the equivalent
Economics/Education (Secondary)	70	Must achieve credit in all six compulsory courses	Band 5 or higher in any HSC English course or the equivalent
Science/Education (Secondary)	50	Must pass all six compulsory courses	Band 5 or higher in any HSC English course or the equivalent; Mathematics

# Postgraduate initial teacher education program

## Master of Teaching (Secondary)

Once you have completed your Bachelors degree, you can enrol in Master of Teaching (Secondary).

### Two single specialisations

- Biology
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Chemistry/Biology
- Earth and Environmental Science
- Economics
- English\*\*
- English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EAL/D)
- Geography

- History - Ancient
  - History - Modern
  - Investigating Science
  - Legal Studies
  - Mathematics\*\*
  - Physics
  - Science
  - Society and Culture
- \*\*Can be taken as an extended teaching specialisation*

OR

### One double specialisation

- English
- Mathematics

# Postgraduate initial teacher education program

## Am I eligible?

- Bachelors degree Weighted Average Mark (WAM) is 60+
- Bachelors degree satisfies NESAs requirements related to the subject(s) you wish to teach
- High level of competency in spoken and written English, equivalent to a Band 5 in HSC English Advanced, Standard English or English as a Second Language, or an overall IELTS score of 7.5, with a minimum of 8.0 in speaking and listening and a minimum of 7.0 in reading and writing, or the equivalent

## How do I apply?

- Apply through Universities Admissions Centre (UAC), including a personal statement

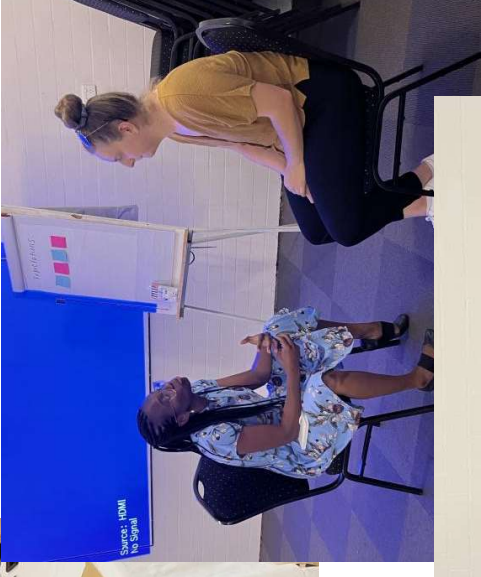
# Studying at UNSW



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- UNSW has **Trimesters**, which are three **ten-week blocks** of formal learning during the calendar year commencing in February, May, and September.
- Trimesters are designed to give you the **flexibility to create a study plan that works for you** throughout every stage of your degree.
- Enrolment at UNSW is a **two-step process**. You will enroll annually to select your courses and then class register to create your class schedule per trimester.
- Your full-time study load will be **20-50 hours per week**, which includes lectures, tutorial classes, preparatory readings and homework, assessments, and exams, depending on what you study.

# Riverina Teaching Hub Program 2023 cohort



# Nura Gili: Centre for Indigenous Programs



- UNSW is committed to creating a university environment where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples thrive and are empowered.
- Nura Gili helps Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students navigate their studies and have opportunities to give back to their communities.
- The team provide pathways for prospective Indigenous students to study in all UNSW faculties, and actively work to enhance the student experience for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, including tutoring, dedicated workshops, and events.



# Scholarships

[scholarships.unsw.edu.au](https://scholarships.unsw.edu.au)



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## Arts, Design & Architecture Scholarships for students:

### Domestic Students

ADA UG Scholarships

General Merit UG Scholarships

Scientia Scholarship

Sternberg Family Scholarship (Arts/Law, Fine Arts/Law)

UNSW Equity Scholarships

### International Students

Articulation Scholarship (UGCA1819)

Global Academic Scholarship (UGCA1820)

International Student Award

Undergraduate International Award (UGCA1823)





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# Talk to us

**For questions about the Riverina Teaching Hub Program degrees, contact the UNSW School of Education Program Advisor:**

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# Questions

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