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AUSTRALIA

# School of Education

## Credit for Prior Learning

### UNDERGRADUATE & MASTER OF TEACHING STUDENTS

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Your previous study may count as credit towards your degree. If you have completed teacher education subjects at another university, or a relevant TAFE award, any credit you receive will depend on whether your previous study is equivalent to the subjects in the UOW program. Teacher education programs have restrictions on the amount of credit we can allow because they are professionally accredited, with very strict rules about what you must complete.

#### How to apply for credit – New students

If you have received an offer for an undergraduate Education degree, you can request a credit assessment during the enrolment period in January/February each year. On your enrolment day, bring along certified photocopies of your previous academic studies (e.g. the transcript showing the modules you completed as part of your Diploma at TAFE) and discuss your credit options with your program Director. Master of Teaching students should request a credit assessment as soon as they get their offer letter.

#### How to apply for credit – Current students

If you are already enrolled, you will need to apply for credit by the end of the fourth week of session. You can download the credit application from the Current Students website: <http://www.uow.edu.au/student/forms/index.html#3e> and send it, along with supporting documentation to the Faculty of Social Sciences Student Service Centre ([ssc@uow.edu.au](mailto:ssc@uow.edu.au)). Your application should include a completed and signed application form, and evidence of your previous study (e.g. if you have transferred from a degree at another university, submit your transcripts for all the subjects you have completed). You should then make an appointment to see your program Director to discuss potential credit and the impact it will have on your study progression. The outcome of your credit application will be sent to your student account about 1-2 weeks after you submit your application.

### POSTGRADUATE COURSEWORK STUDENTS

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Your previous study, work experience and training may count as credit towards your degree. If you have completed a degree in education and have a minimum of three years experience working in teaching and/or an education-related field you may be eligible for 24 credit points credit towards the Master of Education.

#### How to apply for credit - Future students

We recommend you apply for credit at the time you apply for admission to the University. When you submit your UOW application, include a short CV or resume outlining your education experience, plus one piece of evidence that supports your work experience (e.g. a letter from your employer confirming the dates of your employment or your Dept of Ed professional learning summary). When you receive your application response, information about your credit will be listed on your offer letter.

#### How to apply for credit – Current students

If you apply for credit after commencing your study, you need to lodge your application by the end of the fourth week of session. You can download the credit application from the Current Students website: <http://www.uow.edu.au/student/forms/index.html#3e> and send it, along with supporting documentation to the Faculty of Social Sciences Student Service Centre ([ssc@uow.edu.au](mailto:ssc@uow.edu.au)). Your application should include a completed and signed application form, a short CV or resume outlining your education experience, plus one piece of evidence that supports your work experience (e.g. a letter from your employer confirming the dates of your employment or your Dept of Ed professional learning summary). The outcome of your credit application will be sent to your student account about 1-2 weeks after you submit your application.

## How much/what credit will I get?

Individual postgraduate coursework students will get different credit depending on their qualifications and background. Some people might be eligible for one or two subjects, some people might be eligible for four or more subjects. The maximum credit you could receive in a postgraduate coursework program is 50% (for example, that's six subjects in the Master of Education).

If you receive the standard 24 credit points credit for the Master of Education (422) you can typically expect to receive the following credit, based on your specialisation. Be sure to check your student account for your specific credit details.

### Adult & Vocational Education / Higher Education

EDGH852

EDGH856

And 2 x 6cp electives at 800 level (total 12cp unspecified)

### TESOL

EDGT817

EDGT830

EDGT838

EDGT835 or EDGT890 or 6cp elective @ 800 level unspecified credit

### Educational Leadership

24cp electives at 900 level unspecified credit, where 12 of these credit points count towards the Educational Leadership specialisation elective group

### Special Education / Literacy / ICT / Interdisciplinary Studies / The Early Years

24cp elective @ 900 level unspecified credit

## I'm in the Master of Teaching, can I apply for credit?

Yes you can apply, but note that this program has more restrictions on the amount of credit we can allow because it is a professionally accredited, prescribed course. Submit an application (as described above) for individual advice on how much credit you may be eligible for.

