

Dear Students

From 2017, the School of Education will be implementing changes to the final year of the Bachelor of Teaching Program. These changes are in line with the recent re-accreditation of the program and offer a number of benefits to you as a pre-service teacher.

The new University teaching dates align more closely with the term dates for secondary schools. Provided you have met all of the requirements of your Bachelor of Teaching program you will be able to register with the TRB at the end of term 3. This may lead to the possibility of obtaining teaching work at a School in term 4.

In the revitalised 4th year of your program, the courses will essentially remain the same, with some changes being made to the Professional Experience component of the program. Under the new model, you will be undertaking additional days teaching in Schools, allowing greater opportunity to develop your teaching skills under the guidance of an experienced mentor. There will be two placement times during the year;

- term 2 – 20 days (4 weeks) full-time
- term 3 – 45 days (9 weeks) full-time

2017	Courses
Term 1 – 23 rd January to 14 th April	Student Teacher Interaction Curriculum and Methodology A (1 st teaching area) Curriculum and Methodology A (2 nd teaching area)
Term 2 – 17 th April to 30 th June	Curriculum and Methodology B (1 st teaching area) Curriculum and Methodology B (2 nd teaching area) Professional Experience A – 20 days in a School
Term 3 – 10 th July to 24 th September	Professional Preparation (intensive) Professional Experience B – 45 days in a School
Term 4	Program completed

If you have issues with these changes or would like to comment on the changes to the program, we invite you to do so via the website [here](#).

We are providing you with this information to assist you with any planning you are doing for holidays or work commitments that you may have in 2017.

Indicative study plans are available via the website [here](#).

With best wishes
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