Master of Education (MEd) & Master of Education Practice (MEdPrac)

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MEd and MEdPrac: What can I learn in these programmes?

• An opportunity to focus on topics and issues that really matter to you, to your colleagues and for your students.
MEd and MEdPrac: What is the difference?

How much if any independent research is included.

By sprint or a longer run (not really a marathon).
# How long?

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Master of Education (MEd): 180 points or 120 points?

**MEd-180 points:**
Two content courses
One research methods course AND a 90-point thesis

**Entry criteria:** Teaching/Education degree or higher with a GPA of 5 or higher, or through the Postgraduate Certificate in Education
Master of Education (MEd)

MEd-120 points:
By thesis only

Entry criteria:
Postgraduate Diploma* in Education/Educational Leadership;
BED(Tchg)(Hons) with a GPA of 5 or higher
Research Methods course

* Not the same thing as a Graduate Diploma of Teaching
Suitable for

• If you prefer the idea of intensive research
• More independent study - thesis
• Plan to progress to doctoral studies
What’s involved in a thesis?

• Topic of your choice negotiated with a supervisor
• Learn about conducting research AND about your topic
• Roughly 40,000 words (50 to 60 pages)! (and you’ll want to use them all) = about what you would write in four taught courses
• Self-paced AND in a timeframe
Michael Driver, Deputy Principal and MEd student

By doing a thesis, I was able to do some important research with a whānau of interest and student leaders at my case-study school, Kia Aroha College, that could empower Māori, Pasifika and other students in terms of their cultural leadership.
Master of Education Practice (MEdPrac)

120 points pathway
3 electives
1 core course: EDPROF 704
Advanced Study of Education Practice

Entry Criteria:
- 2 years teaching experience
- Teaching degree or higher with a GPA of 5 (= B grade) or higher
Master of Education Practice (MEdPrac)

180 points pathway

Entry Criteria:
• Less than 2 years teaching experience
• Teaching qualification with a GPA of 3.5 or 4 *

*Entry into the MEdPrac via the Postgraduate Certificate in Education
Suitable for

Someone who prefers:

• To complete their master’s degree in small chunks (courses)

• The flexibility to cover a range of topics
Master of Education Practice (MEdPrac)

You can choose to study by courses with a practice project or by courses only.

One core course
and three courses of your choice
Chris Grange, Assistant Principal and MEdPrac student

By doing courses, I was able to personalise my learning to aspects of teaching I’m more interested in: e-learning, teacher collaboration and teacher inquiry; and use this in my day-to-day work.
Your next steps:

Decide on programme

Apply for admission

Enrol once admitted into the programme

Enrol in your courses
Courses

Use the course-finder.

Education courses are delivered outside of school hours.

- Evening classes 4.30 - 7.30pm
- Blended (Combination of face-to-face classes and online)
- Online
- Delivered in Summer School, Semester One, Semester Two
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Thank you!