Become a teacher in just one year

"What I enjoyed most about the programme were the wider curriculum workshops where we got to experience different lessons such as visual arts, drama, science, and music. Practicum provides you with the best immersive experience. I loved being in the classroom and spending my days with the tamariki, their laughter and energy is contagious."

Kate
Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Primary)

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Supporting your success

Whether you are studying in-person or online, we will support you all the way. Here at the Faculty of Education and Social Work you will have access to a wide range of resources throughout your studies including academic and learning support services to ensure you get the most out of your student experience.

Study Online

If you need study flexibility to fit around your schedule, our Graduate Diploma in Teaching Online could be the option for you. You will have on-demand access to the programme material, and your teachers will be on-hand to support you throughout your studies.

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Make an impact in young children’s lives
Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Early Childhood Education)

Key Facts:
- **Age focus:** From birth to 5 years old
- **Next start date:** 17 July 2023 (Online only), January 2024
- **Duration:** Full-time: 1 year, Part-time: 2 years
- **Scholarships:** TeachNZ Scholarships are available
- **Practicum:** Spend 17 weeks gaining practical experience in a range of early childhood services to support your learning and development as a teacher.

Study areas snapshot
- Theories that form Early Childhood Education in Aotearoa New Zealand
- The early childhood context, curriculum and pedagogy
- Children’s exploration in science, technology, engineering and mathematics
- Learning through the arts
- Literacies, languages and culture
- Professional practice
- Te Reo Māori, Māori culture and learning

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Inspire primary school children
Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Primary)

Key Facts:
- **Age focus:** 5 to 13 years old
- **Next start date:** 17 July 2023 (Online only), January 2024
- **Duration:** Full-time: 1 year, Part-time: varies
- **Scholarships:** TeachNZ Scholarships are available
- **Practicum:** Spend 17 weeks of practical experience in schools, learning how to teach diverse learners, critically reflect on top teaching practices, and engage with expert teachers in a range of settings.

Study areas snapshot
- Professional practice helping build strong links to professional community
- Centrality of Te Reo Māori, Māori culture and learning
- Key ideas that inform education in Aotearoa New Zealand
- Theories of effective learning and teaching
- The New Zealand Curriculum eight learning areas of English, the Arts, Health and Physical Education, Mathematics and Statistics, Science, Social Sciences, Technology, and Learning and Languages

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Shape the minds of young adults
Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Secondary)

Key Facts:
- **Age focus:** 13 to 18 years old
- **Next start date:** January 2024
- **Duration:** Full-time: 1 year, Part-time: varies
- **Scholarships:** TeachNZ Scholarships are available
- **Practicum:** Spend 16 weeks gaining practical experience in secondary school classrooms, developing your teaching skills in your subject area.

Study areas snapshot
- The ideas that inform secondary education in Aotearoa New Zealand
- The New Zealand Curriculum
- Teaching your subject (you will be taught by lecturers who are specialists in teaching your subject discipline)
- The adolescent learner
- Professional practice and reflection
- Te Reo Māori, Māori culture and learning

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“My favourite part of the one-year programme was practicum. I got to know many experienced early childhood kaikō who have worked in daycare centres and kindergartens for years. Moreover, as some of them used to work in other careers, they brought their knowledge and experiences into the early childhood sector, which I found incredibly valuable.”

Zhixiao
Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Early Childhood Education)