# STUDY TEACHING IN SOUTH AUCKLAND

2021 | PRIMARY TEACHING | FOUNDATION TE PAPA AKO O TAI TONGA | SOUTH AUCKLAND CAMPUS



**20+** Years in the South Auckland Community



**600+** Teaching Graduates



**No 1** University in New Zealand for Education as a Subject<sup>\*</sup>



EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WORK

# Welcome



### Kia ora, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Kia orana.

Welcome to the Faculty of Education and Social Work at the University of Auckland.

Studying at the University of Auckland could be a life-changing decision – not just for you, but also for the hundreds of young people whose lives you will influence in your future work.

You are choosing to study with us at a very exciting time. In Semester One 2020 the University opened Te Papa Ako o Tai Tonga. This new standalone South Auckland Campus is located in the heart of Manukau and offers many opportunities for you as a student.

Our faculty has been a leading provider of primary teaching programmes in the South Auckland community for over 20 years. In recent years a foundation programme has also been introduced to provide a bridge into a number of other degree programmes we offer, including Social Work and Sport, Health and Physical Education.

Students from the region and further afield have preferred to study in South Auckland, not just for the convenience, but also for the flexible and closeknit learning environment we offer. Over 600 students have successfully graduated from our primary teaching programme based in South Auckland, with many going on to teach in the local community, as well as further afield.

Our close partnerships with local primary schools mean that students experience a range of education environments and start building crucial relationships with teachers and leaders in local schools in preparation for their career.

With teachers in high demand and recent improvements to pay and benefits in place, now is the perfect time to advance your career in this exciting profession.

Our friendly staff provide a supportive environment to ensure all students make a smooth transition into university life and succeed in their studies.

If you are passionate about developing the social, cultural, physical and mental wellbeing of our communities, we can support your aspirations and help you take the next step toward a rewarding career. This brochure is your first step on that path.

A qualification from New Zealand's world-ranked University for Education\* as a subject is your stepping stone to achieving your aspirations.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa - Best wishes to you all,

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR MARK BARROW Dean of Education and Social Work

\*worldranked.ac.nz

### The University for South Auckland

After offering teaching programmes in the South Auckland community for 20 years, in 2020 the University of Auckland opened a brand new campus, Te Papa Ako o Tai Tonga, the South Auckland Campus located in the heart of Manukau.

As a student within the Faculty of Education and Social Work based at Te Papa Ako o Tai Tonga, you will have the benefit of studying with a world-ranked university within the community you know and love. The campus offers small class sizes, so students get to know staff and fellow students well, benefiting from a supportive and inclusive tight-knit community.

The University of Auckland is New Zealand's highestranked university and the only university to feature in the global top 50 for Education as a subject. We are also ranked as the country's top provider of employable, high-quality graduates and New Zealand's leading university for employer reputation.\*

By choosing to study teaching, you will learn alongside researchers and lecturers who are committed to improving the educational and social wellbeing of individuals and expanding your opportunities so that you can achieve your full potential.

\*QS World University Rankings 2020 Cover attribution: \*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2020



## Tertiary Foundation Certificate Education and Social Work pathway

If you want to start your journey towards a career in education, teaching, social work or sport, health and physical education but it has been a while since you studied, (or you didn't quite get the grades we know you're capable of getting,) this one-year programme is an excellent starting point.

#### **Quick facts**

Full-time: 1 year (Full-time only)
Points: 120
Location: Tai Tonga Campus, Epsom Campus or Tai Tokerau Campus
Application closing date: 8 February 2021
Classes start: 1 March 2021
Fees: \$760 \*
\*Indicative annual fee for full-time domestic students

#### Ngā miramiratanga Highlights

- Gain a recognised academic qualification so you can apply for admission into a bachelors programme.
- Learn in a supportive setting, familiarising yourself with the university study environment of lectures, tutorials, assignments and exams.
- Develop your skills in learning, communication, critical thinking, essay writing and time management.

- Improve your digital technology skills in word processing, spreadsheets, presentation software, document collaboration, simple programming and common multi-media technologies.
- Become familiar with key topics you could be studying in a degree, including the NZ education system, how children learn and contemporary issues and trends in education and social services.
- Refresh your understanding of maths, while developing your skills in managing finances and real-life problem solving.
- Take your first step to studying at university level with the comfort of being close to home before deciding whether to continue studying in Northland or move to Auckland.

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"The Tertiary Foundation Certificate prepared me for undergraduate study, gave me a head start, and confirmed that teaching was the right career path for me."

"When I finished high school, I knew I was interested in primary school teaching, but I didn't feel ready for degree-level study just yet. The Tertiary Foundation Certificate was the perfect stepping stone to transition from school to university.

"I chose to study at the South Auckland Campus because it was closer to home, with very accessible public transport. It's a great environment here because everyone is welcoming, friendly and supportive. We are all on the same journey and no one gets left behind.

"A highlight of this programme was learning about the New Zealand history of education. I also developed all the key study skills I needed for undergraduate study, with fantastic support from lecturers and other students. Reflecting on the experience, I can see that the programme set me up perfectly to continue my studies.

"Now studying a Bachelor of Education (Teaching), I'm already getting hands-on experience and putting the theory into practice through practicums. I'm looking forward to becoming a primary teacher to make a difference and improve other people's lives in the same way my teachers did for me when I was at school."

**Louise Potter** is in her second year of the Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Primary specialisation, after completing a Tertiary Foundation Certificate – Education and Social Work pathway.

## Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Primary specialisation

Inspire young people with a love of learning. As a primary teacher you will teach a wide range of subject areas and share your passion for learning across the curriculum, including specialised subjects like sport, music, art, science and culture.

#### **Quick facts:**

**Full-time:** 3 years full-time (Part-time options also available. Practical experience placements are full-time.)

Points per degree: 360

Application closing date: 1 December 2020 (Late applications may be considered if places are available.)

Classes start: 1 March 2021

Fees\*: \$6,242
\*Indicative annual fee for full-time domestic students

### Ngā miramiratanga Highlights

- Gain an approved qualification for professional certification and registration in New Zealand primary and intermediate schools (typically children aged 5–13).
- Enter a profession that is high in demand in New Zealand and overseas.
- Gain the tools you need to prepare for the 21st century classroom, and achieve equitable outcomes for all learners.

- Spend 24 weeks on practicum in a range of schools, observing teaching approaches, developing your skills and building important relationships with prospective employers.
- Develop your knowledge of *The New Zealand Curriculum* and the eight essential learning areas: English, Science, Mathematics and Statastics, Technology, Social Sciences, Arts, Learning Languages, and Health and Physical Education.
- Learn from academics who are experts in the field of education and passionate about training the next generation of teachers.
- Choose to study overseas at one of our 125 partner universities in your second year.
- Explore a range of scholarships to support you, including TeachNZ Scholarships, worth up to \$30,000.
- Access a range of mentoring programmes, support groups and counselling services for students.
- Develop transferable skills that can be applied in many roles, such as curriculum leader, school leader, education consultant, researcher, policy adviser and special needs education specialist.

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#### "I'll never forget the incredible support and care that I get at South Auckland Campus."

"I've always loved supporting children and youth. After working as a primary school learning assistant and after school care worker for a few years, I aspired to reach the level of impact and hard work that teachers did, so I decided to follow my dream of becoming a teacher.

"The Bachelor of Education (Teaching) programme has helped me to understand children's minds, and I can now use my skills to create bonds and adapt to each child's individual learning style. My favourite thing about helping others is seeing their smiles.

"I'm so glad I decided to study teaching at Te Papa Ako o Tai Tonga. The vibe of the campus is welcoming and accepting, the location is close to my workplace, and the support and care that the staff provide is amazing.

"I'm balancing my studies with my role as co-manager of sKids, a before- and after-school care. I'm looking forward to becoming a teacher and educating the children of New Zealand."

**Joseph Nganu** is in his first year of a Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Primary specialisation at South Auckland Campus. "Choosing to study teaching at the South Auckland Campus was the best decision I ever made."

"My passion for education began while I was working in the hospitality industry, training new staff and seeing them experience a light bulb moment when they learnt a new skill. That, combined with my love for kids and the idea that I could make a difference for our youth, made pursuing a teaching career a no-brainer.

"Studying in South Auckland allowed me to be part of an incredibly rich culture and diverse teaching space. I had the privilege of studying with people who wore South Auckland values on their sleeves, whether it was volunteering to mentor other students who needed help, praising every single lecturer and tutor who helped us, or simply being there for each other when times were tough. One unique thing I'll never forget about studying in South Auckland was that we never sought to achieve as individuals; we always made sure we succeeded as one big group.

"I've found a whole new whānau of classmates, support staff and lecturers, who have gifted me valuable memories, lessons and support when I needed it most. Our common passion for youth and genuine love for one another allowed us to gain the necessary skills and knowledge to translate our drive into action and become the best teachers we could be.

"The best thing about teaching is being part of children's lives every day. No matter how hard my day may be, knowing that I have a platform to make a positive difference on a child's life is the reason I'm in this career. I love building relationships with whānau too, so my positive influence extends beyond the classroom."

**Pelimani Fisi'iahi** completed a Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Primary specialisation at Te Papa Ako o Tai Tonga, the South Auckland Campus. He is now completing his Honours year.

# Student services and support

Students studying within the Faculty of Education and Social Work at Te Papa Ako o Tai Tonga, the University of Auckland's South Auckland campus, benefit from the support services offered by both the faculty and central University. These services are here to make sure your time at the University is as enjoyable, inclusive and stress-free as possible.

#### Support services offered:

- Workshops in note taking and research techniques
- IT support
- Course advice
- Enrolment help
- Laptop hire/printing facilities
- · Study space and kitchen facilities
- Library services and assistance
- Special support in maths
- Academic English language support
- Speech and language therapy
- Support services tailored to Māori and Pacific students
- Education and Social Work Student Association
- Financial hardship advice and help
- Counselling
- · Chaplaincy service
- · Student health services
- Disability support
- · Support for LGBTQITakatāpui+ students

#### Useful web addresses

www.auckland.ac.nz/southauckland www.education.auckland.ac.nz/programmes www.auckland.ac.nz/entry-requirements www.auckland.ac.nz/fees www.education.auckland.ac.nz/scholarships-and-awards

#### You can also phone or email us with your questions:

Faculty of Education and Social Work Student Centre Phone: 623 8883 (within Auckland) 0800 61 62 63 (outside Auckland) +64 9 373 7513 (overseas) Email: education@auckland.ac.nz

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