

Unit Outline (Higher Education)

Institute / School: Institute of Education, Arts & Community

Unit Title: PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE FINAL

Unit ID: EEZED4721

Credit Points: 0.00

Prerequisite(s): Nil

Co-requisite(s): Nil

Exclusion(s): Nil

ASCED: 070199

Description of the Unit:

This unit supports the final professional experience in the Bachelor of Education in which students complete 30 days (or as required for program) in the education setting specified below for their particular program. PSTs are required to complete the expectations outlined in Professional Experience Assessment Report (Form A). Assessment of PST achievement against all Australian Professional Standards for Teachers is undertaken at the completion of the placement by the Mentor Teacher.

Students will record reflections on their learning by completing the reflective Self-Evaluation Report (Form C). This will take place in collaboration with their school-based Mentor Teacher in the education setting in which the placement occurs (as indicated below).

Education Setting

- Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary): **Primary**
- Bachelor of Education (Primary): **Primary**
- Bachelor of Education (Primary and Secondary P-10): **Primary or Secondary**
- Bachelor of Education (Joint Degrees): **Secondary - Major and Minor**
- Bachelor of Health and Physical Education: **Secondary - Major and Minor**
- Bachelor of Secondary Education: **Secondary - Major and Minor**
- Bachelor of Secondary Education (Health and Physical Education Teaching): **Secondary - Major and Minor**

Grade Scheme: Ungraded (S, UN)

Work Experience:

Wholly by work experience with Charge: Student is undertaking work experience in industry where learning and performance is not directed by the provider, but support is received from the provider.

Placement Component: Yes

Supplementary Assessment: No

Supplementary assessment is not available to students who gain a fail in this Unit.

Course Level:

Level of Unit in Course	AQF Level of Course					
	5	6	7	8	9	10
Introductory						
Intermediate						
Advanced			✓			

Learning Outcomes:

On successful completion of the course the students are expected to be able to:

Knowledge:

- K1.** Contextualise and extend knowledge and skills considered within the Bachelor of Education programs in order to provide a strong basis for ongoing professional learning;
- K2.** Gain an understanding of the depth, complexity and constraints of school environments through observation and participation in learning activities in a school setting and through teaching and reflecting on learning;
- K3.** Know and further understand learning theory and practice applicable to the particular teaching disciplines

Skills:

- S1.** Reflect upon learning at University and upon learning and teaching practice in schools;
- S2.** Identify, articulate and explore questions that arise from observations in the learning setting as well as professional reading, research and practice;
- S3.** Engage sensitively and ethically with all stakeholders across the school community
- S4.** Effectively utilise a broad range of communication modes and technologies in their roles as professional teachers.

Application of knowledge and skills:

- A1.** Set personal learning goals and document evidence of professional practice, professional knowledge and professional engagement as articulated in the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers (Graduate Level) and as part of the Graduate Teacher Performance Assessment.
- A2.** Bring insights from school-based experiences to Federation University studies and share these in professional conversations with peers and lecturers
- A3.** Practise teaching and put into practice feedback regarding personal teaching performance
- A4.** Plan, deliver and evaluate lessons so that student learning is effectively and clearly conceptualised and organized
- A5.** Work collaboratively and communicate effectively with students, professionals, colleagues and parents.

Unit Content:

This is a professional experience placement in an education setting in which all learning and assessment takes place in that setting.

Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K1, K2 S1, S2 A1, A2 A3, A4, A5 APST 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0.	Demonstrate achievement of the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers - Mentor Teacher records assessment against the standards in the Professional Experience Assessment Report (Form A) which includes confirmation that the Reflective Self Evaluation Report (Form C) has been completed.	Hurdle	S/U
K1, K2, K3, S1, S2, S3, S4, A1, A2, A3, A4, A5.	Complete 30 days placement in the school setting specified for their particular program	Hurdle	S/U

Adopted Reference Style:

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Fed Cite - [referencing tool](#)

Professional Standards / Competencies:
Australian Professional Standards for Teachers (AITSL) - Graduate Teacher: Initial

Attribute	Assessed	Level
Professional Knowledge		
1. Know students and how they learn		
1.1 Physical, social and intellectual development and characteristics of students Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of physical, social and intellectual development and characteristics of students and how these may affect learning.	Yes	Advanced
1.2 Understand how students learn Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of research into how students learn and the implications for teaching.	Yes	Advanced
1.3 Students with diverse linguistic, cultural, religious and socioeconomic backgrounds Demonstrate knowledge of teaching strategies that are responsive to the learning strengths and needs of students from diverse linguistic, cultural, religious and socioeconomic backgrounds.	Yes	Advanced
1.4 Strategies for teaching Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students Demonstrate broad knowledge and understanding of the impact of culture, cultural identity and linguistic background on the education of students from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds.	Yes	Advanced
1.5 Differentiate teaching to meet the specific learning needs of students across the full range of abilities Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of strategies for differentiating teaching to meet the specific learning needs of students across the full range of abilities.	Yes	Advanced
1.6 Strategies to support full participation of students with disability Demonstrate broad knowledge and understanding of legislative requirements and teaching strategies that support participation and learning of students with disability	Yes	Advanced
2. Know the content and how to teach it		
2.1 Content and teaching strategies of the teaching area Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the concepts, substance and structure of the content and teaching strategies of the teaching area.	Yes	Advanced
2.2 Content selection and organisation Organise content into an effective learning and teaching sequence.	Yes	Advanced

2.3 Curriculum, assessment and reporting
 Use curriculum, assessment and reporting knowledge to design learning sequences and lesson plans. Yes Advanced

2.4 Understand and respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to promote reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians
 Demonstrate broad knowledge of, understanding of and respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and languages. Yes Advanced

2.5 Literacy and numeracy strategies
 Know and understand literacy and numeracy teaching strategies and their application in teaching areas. Yes Advanced

2.6 Information and Communication Technology (ICT)
 Implement teaching strategies for using ICT to expand curriculum learning opportunities for students. Yes Advanced

Professional Practice

3. Plan for and implement effective teaching and learning

3.1 Establish challenging learning goals
 Set learning goals that provide achievable challenges for students of varying abilities and characteristics. Yes Advanced

3.2 Plan, structure and sequence learning programs
 Plan lesson sequences using knowledge of student learning, content and effective teaching strategies. Yes Advanced

3.3 Use teaching strategies
 Include a range of teaching strategies. Yes Advanced

3.4 Select and use resources
 Demonstrate knowledge of a range of resources, including ICT, that engage students in their learning. Yes Advanced

3.5 Use effective classroom communication
 Demonstrate a range of verbal and non-verbal communication strategies to support student engagement. Yes Advanced

3.6 Evaluate and improve teaching programs
 Demonstrate broad knowledge of strategies that can be used to evaluate teaching programs to improve student learning. Yes Advanced

3.7 Engage parents/ carers in the educative process
 Describe a broad range of strategies for involving parents/carers in the educative process. Yes Advanced

4. Create and maintain supportive and safe learning environments

4.1 Support student participation Identify strategies to support inclusive student participation and engagement in classroom activities.	Yes	Advanced
4.2 Manage classroom activities Demonstrate the capacity to organise classroom activities and provide clear directions.	Yes	Advanced
4.3 Manage challenging behaviour Demonstrate knowledge of practical approaches to manage challenging behaviour.	Yes	Advanced
4.4 Maintain student safety Describe strategies that support students' wellbeing and safety working within school and/or system, curriculum and legislative requirements.	Yes	Advanced
4.5 Use ICT safely, responsibly and ethically Demonstrate an understanding of the relevant issues and the strategies available to support the safe, responsible and ethical use of ICT in learning and teaching.	Yes	Advanced
5. Assess, provide feedback and report on student learning		
5.1 Assess student learning Demonstrate understanding of assessment strategies, including informal and formal, diagnostic, formative and summative approaches to assess student learning.	Yes	Advanced
5.2 Provide feedback to students on their learning Demonstrate an understanding of the purpose of providing timely and appropriate feedback to students about their learning.	Yes	Advanced
5.3 Make consistent and comparable judgements Demonstrate understanding of assessment moderation and its application to support consistent and comparable judgements of student learning.	Yes	Advanced
5.4 Interpret student data Demonstrate the capacity to interpret student assessment data to evaluate student learning and modify teaching practice.	Yes	Advanced
5.5 Report on student achievement Demonstrate understanding of a range of strategies for reporting to students and parents/carers and the purpose of keeping accurate and reliable records of student achievement.	Yes	Advanced
Professional Engagement		
6. Engage in professional learning		
6.1 Identify and plan professional learning needs Demonstrate an understanding of the role of the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers in identifying professional learning needs.	Yes	Advanced

6.2 Engage in professional learning and improve practice Understand the relevant and appropriate sources of professional learning for teachers.	Yes	Advanced
6.3 Engage with colleagues and improve practice Seek and apply constructive feedback from supervisors and teachers to improve teaching practices.	Yes	Advanced
6.4 Apply professional learning and improve student learning Demonstrate an understanding of the rationale for continued professional learning and the implications for improved student learning.	Yes	Advanced
7. Engage professionally with colleagues, parents/carers and the community		
7.1 Meet professional ethics and responsibilities Understand and apply the key principles described in codes of ethics and conduct for the teaching profession.	Yes	Advanced
7.2 Comply with legislative, administrative and organisational requirements Understand the relevant legislative, administrative and organisational policies and processes required for teachers according to school stage.	Yes	Advanced
7.3 Engage with the parents/carers Understand strategies for working effectively, sensitively and confidentially with parents/carers.	Yes	Advanced
7.4 Engage with professional teaching networks and broader communities Understand the role of external professionals and community representatives in broadening teachers' professional knowledge and practice.	Yes	Advanced