

Doctor of Education (DEDU) - EdD

	On-campus	Distance education
Semester intake:	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)	Semester 1 (February) Semester 2 (July) Semester 3 (November)
Campus:	Toowoomba	-
Fees:	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place Research training scheme (RTS)	Domestic full fee paying place International full fee paying place Research training scheme (RTS)
Standard duration:	3 years full-time and up to 6 years part-time	

Notes:

The program is principally delivered in the online mode.

Contact us

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Program focus

This program is a professional and research doctorate directed at helping students to acquire and practise research knowledge and skills as they design, conduct and report doctoral level research about current and real world questions and topics. In doing so, the program provides students with maximum support and training to collect and analyse data and create new knowledge and understanding, and also to pursue new career opportunities.

Career opportunities

Career opportunities for future program graduates are likDEDU graduates with mshouam gundbletchF2 8 Tf3 0 0 1 59.

- articulate the local, provincial, national, regional and global dimensions of the work and identities of contemporary educators, trainers and developers
- demonstrate the capacity to add value to, and to help to sustain, contemporary learning communities
- develop and extend a commitment to lifelong education and to fulfilling their own lives and those of others.

Program aims

The aim of this program is to provide experienced professionals in education, training and development with doctoral level coursework and research opportunities that will engage educational issues that are relevant and meaningful to them, help to sustain their communities and help to fulfil their lives.

Admission requirements

To be considered eligible for admission to the Doctor of Education, applicants must:

- have completed a Masters with a 'credit' average or an undergraduate Honours (I or IIa) degree, or equivalent qualification in Education or a cognate field relevant to the proposed area of study from a recognised university
- have a documented record of normally three years full-time equivalent of professional or teaching experience in a field relevant to the proposed area of study and be currently or recently employed in professional practice.
- provide evidence of English language proficiency (minimum IELTS 6.5 or equivalent) - international students only

Admission to all graduate programs is highly competitive owing to limited enrolment capacities. Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

How to apply

Applications for [Research Master and Doctorate programs](#) should be made directly to USQ.

Program fees

Domestic full fee paying place

Domestic full fee paying places are funded entirely through the full fees paid by the student. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Permanent Humanitarian Visa holders, Permanent Resident visa holders and New Zealand citizens who reside outside Australia pay full tuition fees.

Domestic full fee paying students may be eligible to defer their fees through a Government loan called [FEE-HELP](#).

International full fee paying place

International students pay full fees. Full fees vary depending on the courses that are taken and whether they are studied on-campus, via distance education/online. You are able to calculate the fees for a particular course via the [Course Fee Finder](#).

Research training scheme (RTS)

The Research Training Scheme (RTS) provides Commonwealth-funded higher degree by research (HDR) students with an 'entitlement' to an exemption from course fees for the equivalent of four years full-time study in an accredited HDR program. If a student's RTS entitlement expires before they have completed their program they will be required to pay full tuition fees. As there may be limited RTS places available, some students may be required to pay fees for all or part of their program. The USQ [Office of Research and Higher Degrees](#) will advise students of their eligibility for an RTS place.

Program structure

The Doctor of Education is a 24-unit program. The program structure comprises three sections.

Coursework:	6 units
Optionally elective postgraduate courses:	maximum of 2 units
Dissertation/Folio thesis courses:	16 — 18 units

Program completion requirements

To be awarded a Doctorate of Education, a student must normally have completed all designated research courses—that is, dissertation - or folio-type courses—and all designated coursework courses, such as research methods and, if relevant, elective courses. Students are normally required to undertake:

- two 2-unit coursework courses from the Doctor of Education program: [EDU8601 Advanced Studies in Professional Practice](#) and [EDU8602 Professional Practice in Education](#)
- two 1-unit coursework courses: [EDR8000 Foundations of Contemporary Educational Research Methods](#) and [EDR8001 Effective and Ethical Educational Research](#)

and will have the opportunity to undertake:

- two 1-unit elective courses at postgraduate level from the Faculty of Education or another Faculty at the University of Southern Queensland or another recognised university.

Dissertation

If students take the two electives, their dissertation will constitute 16 units (67% of program; 60,000 words) if they do not take the two electives, their dissertation will constitute 18 units (75% of program; 70,000 words)

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At the time of submission of the dissertation/folio for external examination, all coursework courses and electives (if applicable) must have been completed satisf