

Master of Modern Languages Education

Gain the skills to become a language teacher in schools, language centres and universities around the world with our Master of Modern Languages Education.

Overview

Designed for people who want to teach languages other than English, this course focuses on curriculum, pedagogy and language as they apply to classroom instruction.

You'll complete 200 points of coursework (with the possibility of up to 100 points of advanced standing*) including six core subjects and 10 electives. For students completing the Language Teaching specialisation#, you'll complete four specialist core subjects, two research capstones and two electives.

All students will explore themes of methodology and curriculum design, bilingual education through content and language integrated learning (CLIL), intercultural development and language acquisition, and the historical, social and political influences on teaching modern languages, providing you with specialist knowledge to supplement or advance your career.

Outcomes

The Master of Modern Languages Education will prepare you to:

- Manage and teach one or more languages other than English
- Understand the theory and practice of language learning and research in modern languages education
- Have in-depth knowledge and understanding to assist colleagues in language-related professional situations
- Use the latest research to address language education-related professional problems and improve student learning.

Graduates who enter in year 2 with advanced standing* and complete the four specialist core subjects, will be recognised by the Victorian Institute of Teaching as accredited Languages teachers in Victorian schools.

Sample course plan – 200 point, full time option

Students with 100 points of advanced standing enter in year 2.

Year 1	Semester 1	Resilience and Relationships	Understanding Education in Context	The Student as Learner	Local Literacies in Global Contexts
	Semester 2	Education elective	Education elective	Education elective	Education elective
Year 2	Semester 1	Additional languages elective	Additional languages elective	Additional languages elective	Additional languages elective
	Semester 2	Additional languages elective	Additional languages elective	Research Methods in Education	Education Capstone Research Project

■ Core subject ■ Education elective ■ Additional languages elective

This course, research-driven by new knowledge and practice in how languages can be integrated into the curriculum experience, will help you develop specialised skills suited to a variety of teaching environments.

Quick facts

Duration

2 years full time, 4 years part time

Duration with advanced standing*

1 year full time, 2 years part time

Delivery mode

On campus

Entry

Semester 1, Semester 2

Fees

Commonwealth Supported Place, Australian fee-paying and international fee places available

Entry requirements

- A three year undergraduate degree or equivalent in any discipline area, and
- A major in a language other than English, or provide a statement of equivalence.

All students must meet English language requirements.

*Advanced standing

Applicants who are eligible for registration with the Victorian Institute of Teaching or have an appropriate teaching background may be eligible for up to 100 credit points of Advanced Standing. Please contact MGSE to check your eligibility.

#Language Teaching specialisation

Students who are eligible for Victorian Institute of Teaching registration but seek additional recognition as an accredited Language teacher, must complete the Language Teaching specialisation. This includes four specialist core subjects, two research capstones and two electives. Specialisation students must also complete 22 days of placement at a school or similar setting during school hours.

Graduate Certificate in Modern Languages Education

Get a taste of the Master of Modern Languages Education and become qualified as an accredited Languages teacher.

Overview

This 50 point course comprises four specialist core subjects from the Master of Modern Languages Education advanced standing, Language Teaching specialisation entry point:

- Second Language Teaching Methodology
- Grammar for Language Teachers
- Language Acquisition and Teaching
- Supervised Teaching (Second Language).

Designed for qualified teachers wishing to add Languages as a specialised area, this course will equip you with the knowledge and skills to successfully manage and teach at least one modern language.

Outcomes

The Graduate Certificate in Modern Languages Education will prepare you to:

- Gain recognition with the Victorian Institute of Teaching as an accredited Languages teacher in Victoria
- Identify the principles and approaches for teaching and learning modern languages education
- Apply strategies for recognising and analysing the needs of students who require modern language education
- Manage language programs and resources which are culturally and linguistically appropriate.

Sample course plan – part time option

	Semester 1	Second Language Teaching Methodology	Grammar for Language Teachers
Year 1	Semester 2	Language Acquisition and Teaching	Supervised Teaching (Second Language)

 Specialist core subject

“The most valuable part of the course was learning contemporary language education theory and gaining access to the latest research and resources. It was great to collaborate with other language teachers and enlarge my professional network.”

Anna Beilharz, German and English teacher at Ballarat High School

Quick facts

Duration

6 months full time, 1 year part time

Delivery mode

On campus and 22 days of supervised placement at a school or similar setting during school hours

Entry

Semester 1, Semester 2

Fees

Australian fee-paying place, international fee place

Entry requirements

- A four-year education degree, or equivalent, or
- An undergraduate degree in any discipline and at least 100 credit points, or equivalent, of graduate study in education.

All applicants must have a major in a language other than English, or provide a statement of equivalence, and be eligible for registration with the Victorian Institute of Teaching.

All students must meet English language requirements.

After successfully completing this course you will be eligible for 50 credit points towards the Master of Modern Languages Education, as well as other master courses.