



## EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WORK

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*“When I started at the University of Auckland, I enrolled in a Bachelor of Global Studies majoring in Sustainable development. I never anticipated studying education under a Bachelor of Arts, but after enrolling in and completing two education papers that were very interesting, I was inspired to study education further. I then added onto my studies a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Education and am so glad I did.*

*“Education is so broad, studying education courses has allowed me to learn more about Te Tiriti, philosophy, and the New Zealand curriculum. The classes are smaller than the classes in my other programme which has been a real advantage as it has allowed me to get to know classmates and lecturers. I have found that education brings people together. I have*

*met many lovely people in my classes who I may not have gotten the opportunity to meet otherwise.*

*“Following my graduation, I hope to do some traveling and learn about other countries education systems and how that compares to New Zealand. Different students have different learning styles, in ten years, I see myself working in policy briefings and finding ways to support learners better.”*

## Anna Todd

Bachelor of Arts Education major / Bachelor of Global Studies Student

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# Study Education in the Bachelor of Arts

Faculty of Education and Social Work | The University of Auckland



**No.1**  
New Zealand  
University<sup>1</sup>



**No.1**  
In New Zealand  
for Education<sup>2</sup>



**Gold Rating**  
Environmental  
Impact<sup>3</sup>



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# Bachelor of Arts Education

## Why study Education as a subject?

Studying Education within the Bachelor of Arts (BA) will develop your knowledge of both education and a variety of complementary subjects, giving you a vast body of skills. You can study Education as a major or elective subject within a BA or conjoint degree. Postgraduate study options include the BA (Honours) in Education and the Master of Arts (MA) in Education.

Studies in education are underpinned by the core disciplines of psychology, philosophy, sociology and history to address important educational questions and issues. Informed by cutting-edge research and delivered by lecturers who are experts in their fields, the courses will challenge and engage you. Subjects range from Educational Psychology and Child Development to Schooling Ethnic Diversity and Learning Sexualities.

## Your career options

A degree in Education will open doors to many rewarding job opportunities or give you a solid base for higher level study. Our graduates enter a variety of careers in New Zealand and overseas, including:

- Education-based services
- Human resources and personnel
- Marae-based training
- The film industry
- Policy analysis
- Research agencies
- The social services

## Have you considered teaching?

A Bachelor of Arts (BA) can give you a strong platform from which to study a one-year Graduate Diploma in Teaching specialising in either Early Childhood Education, Primary or Secondary. If you are considering using your qualifications to teach in a secondary school, it is important to include courses from at least one subject that is taught in New Zealand secondary schools (e.g. English, Art History, Geography, History and Economics) in your BA at Stage III level. You can also study a Bachelor of Education (Teaching) to become a teacher. For more information about a career in teaching visit [auckland.ac.nz/teaching-education](https://auckland.ac.nz/teaching-education)

# Including Education in the Bachelor of Arts

## Quick facts

**Full-time:** 3 years

**Points per degree:** 360 (24 courses-15 points each)

**Taught at:** City Campus

## Highlights

- Foster your critical thinking and analytical skills applicable in many areas of work, including educational and social policy, human resources, social agencies and educational and psychological professional services.
- Learn from lecturers who are experts and active researchers in the field of Education.
- Develop research-based knowledge of development and learning applicable to other programmes of study, workplaces and family life.
- Gain an academically strong pathway into research and postgraduate study in Education.
- Secure a solid grounding to study a one-year Graduate Diploma in Teaching for a career in teaching.

## Requirements:

All Bachelor of Arts students must take two majors. To major in education, you need at least eight courses (120 points) in Education, including at least three courses (45 points) above Stage II. You must also include at least two courses (30 points) at Stage I in Education and at least two courses (30 points) at Stage II in Education.

With a BA in Education you may also choose to go on to study an additional year and complete a BA (Honours) degree in Education, adding depth to your degree, preparing you for further study at masters and doctoral level, and giving you increased employment opportunities.

## What courses can you study?

The number of courses you need to take at each stage will depend on whether you choose to major in Education or to include Education as an elective subject. View the full list of Education courses offered at [auckland.ac.nz/ba-education](https://auckland.ac.nz/ba-education)



# New modules

This year we are introducing two new modules (optional groupings of three courses on a particular theme) designed to complement the skills you will develop through your BA. These can be added to the subjects of your choice to cater to your career goals.

## Teaching in Society

This is a 45-point module with 15 points at each stage.

### Highlights

- Develop your understanding of teaching beyond classrooms to museums and galleries, libraries, virtual worlds and other public educative spaces.
- Gain a critical understanding of teaching traditions and practices in variety of environments and spaces.
- Foster a capacity to think like a teacher and critically engage with ideas.
- Participate in diverse ways of thinking about the place of education in society.
- Applicable in a range of careers in education, arts, community and charitable organisations, mentoring, health and social work.

Visit [auckland.ac.nz/teaching-society](https://auckland.ac.nz/teaching-society) for more information.



## Community Service in Youth Development

This is a 45-point module with 15 points at each stage.

### Highlights

- Gain a multidisciplinary understanding of youth theory and research.
- Critically examine current issues facing NZ youth including social justice, inequality and institutional bias.
- Gain practical skills by working as a youth mentor.
- Hone your skills in youth advocacy, policy and programme development and relationship building.
- Applicable in a variety of child and youth-related careers in health, law, government, education, NGOs, and community-based organisations.

Visit [auckland.ac.nz/youth-development](https://auckland.ac.nz/youth-development) for more information.

