

PROGRAMME INFORMATION	
Title	GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD)
Level	7
Credits	150
Duration	40 weeks (including 14 weeks practicum)
Delivery mode	Flexi (online at a distance, plus one week intensive for each of three semesters held at Bethlehem Tertiary Institute, Tauranga)
Start dates	March and July
Entry requirements	Intending students shall: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. provide evidence of suitability to teach within a New Zealand Early Childhood setting 2. already be qualified as a primary teacher with either provisional or full registration
English language requirements	Intending students from overseas who do not have English as their main language will be required to provide successful academic IELTS results at IELTS Academic 7 before entering the level seven papers. For teacher registration approval from the New Zealand Teachers Council, student teacher graduates must be competent at IELTS Academic 7.
Graduate profile	To develop teachers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whose disposition is professional, gracious, secure and teachable and whose teaching is relational, transformative and responsive • with understanding of the cultural heritages of both partners to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, • who are responsive to New Zealand's increasing multicultural population • whose developing personal philosophy of education, understanding of children, curriculum knowledge and teaching repertoire make for wise and innovative selection of teaching approaches and learning activities to stimulate children's learning • who conduct inquiries into their own teaching for the enhancement of children's learning • who are responsible and accountable before the Lord to aim for individual excellence in all personal and professional endeavours • who are characterised by the aspirational Graduation Teacher Standards, Aotearoa, New Zealand.
Career Opportunities	Teach in a range of early childhood settings (e.g., sessional and full day centres, kindergartens, private, Christian and community services, under twos, over twos)

PROGRAMME DETAILS	
One Year	
Course	Credits
Integrated Curriculum 1	20

Professional Issues in Early Childhood Education: Perspectives and Pathways (1)	10
Working with Infants and Toddlers	10
Practicum 1	10
Integrated Curriculum 2	20
Practicum 2	15
The ECE Market Place: Management and Administration	10
Practicum 3	15
Enriching and Researching the Curriculum	20
Professional Issues in Early Childhood Education (2)	5
Professional Issues in Early Childhood Education (3)	5
Explorations in Teaching	10