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# RATEP

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## Certificate III in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education (10751NAT)

### Description

RATEP is a community-based teacher education program designed to enable First Nations people to become qualified teaching aides and/or registered teachers. RATEP is a partnership between TAFE Queensland (north), the Department of Education (State Schools) and James Cook University (Townsville).

### Careers and Pathways

This course is an option for students at high school to study over Years 11 and 12. The course is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students ONLY. This course enables students to exit the course with a Teacher Aide qualification. The opportunity exists for students to continue studying to the point of achieving a teaching qualification.

This course is also available to adult students wishing to re-enter post-school education. This can be studied as a one-year full-time course, or part-time over two years.

On successful completion, students will be able to:

- provide support to students and colleagues in an educational service, in accordance with industry and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural protocols
- provide general teaching/learning assistance within early childhood, primary, library, information technology, administration and community recreation environments
- provide tutor support for peers, students and parents
- attain 8 credits towards their QCE (Queensland Certificate of Education) for high school students

### Entry Requirements

This qualification is only open to First Nations people, who complete an application form and sit for online literacy and numeracy assessment. Year 10 students must also have a recommendation from their school's Administration. Prospective students are encouraged to produce a certificate of identity.

### Fees

There is no cost in 2021 for school students studying this as part of their Senior Schooling, as it is fully subsidised by the Queensland Government. Adult students have an approximate Concessional Fee of \$1,500. The Full Fee is approximately \$4,260.

### Start

Applications open in Term 4 of each year, with Enrolments commencing at the beginning of the school year.

### Location

RATEP Centres are located in 12 schools throughout Queensland, located from Toowoomba in the south, to Bamaga in the north, on the east coast from Rockhampton to Cairns, and Mt Isa in the west. Aldridge State High School is one of these sites. Students can also study via the offsite mode (if not near a site).

### Study Mode

A full-time Teacher Co-ordinator at Aldridge State High School supports students undertaking this course. Students study the following units of competency:

CORE UNITS	
CUAATS101	• Develop understanding of own Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander identity
CHEDS017	• Contribute to the health and safety of students
AIERDG001	• Support the reading development of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children
CHCEE006	• Support behaviour of children and young people
CHCEDS003	• Contribute to student's education in all developmental domains
CHCEDS004	• Contribute to organisation an management
CHCEDS007	• Work effectively with students and colleagues
AIESCT001	• Support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children with science inquiry
CHCEDS024	• Use educational strategies to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education
CHEDS006	• Support the development of numeracy skills
CHCEDS010	• Work effectively as an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education worker
CUAATS302	• Produce work that expresses own Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identity
VP100	• Vocational Placement (minimum of 100 hours)

<b>ELECTIVE UNITS</b> (students choose 3 options)	
BSBIT201	• Produce simple work processed documents
BSBITU306	• Design and produce business documents
CUAMPF101	• Develop skills to sing or play music
CHCEDS009	• Communicate with parents, students and colleagues in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander language
CHCEDS016	• Support learning for students with disabilities in a classroom environment
CHCEDS029	• Assis teach to develop Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander language and culture lessons
SISXCA002	• Assist with activity sessions

### **Credits towards Queensland Certificate of Education**

The credits arrangement with the Queensland Studies Authority (QSA) towards a student's Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) at the end of Year 12 is:

- on completion of the Certificate III in Education: 8 credits
- on partial completion, the hours in the units completed must reach certain % of total hours for partial credits

### **Assessment Procedures**

Assessment is competency-based, continuous, and is an integral part of student learning and development. In each unit, students will be required to complete several assessment items.

Depending on the unit, this may involve completing practical demonstrations; assignments; workbooks; written reports; oral presentations; portfolios; research projects; and online forums. Students send many of their assessment tasks to TAFE for assessment, while the Teacher Co-ordinator marks some tasks. Competency in all units is required to obtain the qualification.

### **Vocational Placement**

Students complete practical tasks such as classroom observations and small group teaching sessions in State Schools in Maryborough as part of various units' assessment tasks. Altogether, placements involve 100 logged hours.

### **For further information:**

- contact the RATEP Teacher Co-ordinator at Aldridge State High School on 0436 810 708
- visit the TAFE Queensland website, and enter RATEP in the Search Courses Dialogue Box