Master of Teaching (Primary)

1 Definitions
In these rules—

learning areas include English; Mathematics; History; Geography; Science; Technology; the Arts (Drama, Media, Music); Health and Physical Education; and Languages other than English.

practicum course means a course that contains a practical component where students gain supervised teaching experience in a workplace setting.

pre-2018 student means a student who enrolled in the program before 1 January 2018.

2 Enrolment requirements
To enrol in the program, a person must—

(a) have successfully completed an approved bachelor degree in a different discipline with a minimum GPA of 4.5, with at least one year of full-time (or equivalent) study relevant to one or more learning areas of the primary school curriculum; and

(b) submit a statement addressing non-academic entry criteria.

3 Program requirements
To complete the program, a student must complete 32 units from the MTeach (Primary) course list.

4 Cancellation of credit
The credit cancellation period for the MTeach (Primary) is 4 years.

5 Special rules

5.1 Blue card
At the start of the program, a student must obtain a blue card and thereafter hold a current blue card for the duration of the program.

5.2 Continuous enrolment
Unless approved by the executive dean, a student must—

(a) undertake the program without interruption; and

(b) not undertake concurrent study in a program outside the MTeach (Primary).

5.3 Progression through program
(1) A student must not enrol for a subsequent semester of the program before gaining credit for all courses in the preceding semester, unless permitted by the executive dean.

(2) The associate dean (academic), after considering advice from the school board of examiners, may grant supplementary assessment only to a student who gains a grade of 3.

(3) The associate dean (academic) may grant supplementary assessment to a student for up to 4 units in an academic semester.

(4) A student who fails to pass a practicum course will be required to show cause to the associate dean (academic) why enrolment should not be cancelled.

(5) A student who is required to show cause under rule 5.3(1) must do so no later than 20 business days after being required to show cause.

(6) A student who is required to show cause may be required to attend a meeting with the head of school of education.
(7) Show cause applications will be determined in accordance with criteria set by the associate dean (academic).

(8) A student who has been required to show cause may have conditions set on their re-enrolment by the associate dean (academic).

(9) A student will not be permitted to remain enrolled in the program if—
   (a) the student fails to show cause by the due date; or
   (b) the student’s show cause application is refused; or
   (c) the student fails to meet the conditions set on their enrolment by the associate dean (academic).

(10) Withdrawal without academic penalty does not count as failure to pass a course.

(11) A student who is not permitted to remain enrolled in the program under rule 5.3(9)—
   (a) may apply for readmission into the program no less than 12 months after their enrolment has been cancelled. The executive dean may set conditions on re-enrolment.

5.4 LANTITE test
Prior to graduation, a student must successfully complete the Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education Students (LANTITE) as set by the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL).

5.5 Award of the Graduate Diploma in Learning Studies (Primary)
(1) A student who withdraws from the MTeach (Primary) program after successfully completing 16 units may be awarded the Graduate Diploma in Learning Studies (Primary).
(2) The Graduate Diploma in Learning Studies (Primary) is not approved for teacher registration.

5.6 Award of the Master of Learning Studies (Primary)
(1) A student who meets all program requirements under rule 3 but does not meet the LANTITE test requirement under rule 5.5 may be awarded the Master of Learning Studies (Primary).
(2) The Master of Learning Studies (Primary) is not approved for teacher registration in Australia.

5.7 Transitional
A pre-2018 student must comply with the requirements of rules 5.4 and 5.6.