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'The knowledge and skills I've received from BAVE have exceeded my expectations. I didn't just learn how to teach, I also discovered the essence of learning and education. Learning how to learn is an essential life skill, and active learning is the key to knowledge construction. The teacher's role is to facilitate that process for the learner.

'BAVE challenged me with the opportunity to do and try new things, and when I did them it *felt so good!* Recently I ran a six-week Playgroup Leaders Workshop, teaching areas such as early learning for children, behaviour management and child safety. At the end of the workshop I received excellent feedback due to two key things - my background and passion for working with children, and more critically, the teaching skills and techniques I've learned from doing the BAVE degree.

'When I started the degree I doubted myself and my ability to teach but I've grown heaps from that point. It has been an amazing experience - I can see my own teaching in the response of the class and their feedback, because now I have the theory to go with years of practical experience of working with children and now mentoring and teaching trainee children's services workers. BAVE has helped me big time! I recommend this course to anyone teaching adults in the work place.'

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## FACULTY OF EDUCATION

## Bachelor of Adult & Vocational Education

### INTRODUCTION

The Bachelor of Adult and Vocational Education (BAVE) is a three year degree. The first year is comprised of study with TAFE or a Registered Training Organisation (RTO), other university study or extensive work experience and appropriate qualifications. Years two and three are undertaken within the Faculty of Education by distance delivery.

To enter the University component of the program at Year Two, you will need to have completed **one** of the following:

- Extensive relevant work experience and appropriate qualifications
- Diploma of Training and Assessment (TAA50104)
- Diploma or higher qualification relevant to your intended area of professional practice, plus Certificate IV in Training and Assessment (TAA40104) where appropriate
- Other qualification deemed equivalent

Please contact the Faculty of Education to discuss your individual situation and to see if you meet the requirements to receive credit for the first year of University study.

One of our key aims is to encourage self-direction in adult and life-long education. As you progress through the program you will be asked to take greater control over your own learning. This is the usual pattern which adults adopt as they become managers of their own learning goals.

### PRACTICUM

There are teaching practicum units within this program. Students are required to negotiate with an institution or organisation to carry out their teaching practicum in conjunction with the unit study requirements.

### CAREER OUTCOMES

Practitioners teaching adults find employment opportunities in a diverse range of careers including:

- Industry trainer
- Registered private provider
- Community Educator
- Language and literacy tutor
- On-line course designer or learning facilitator
- TAFE teacher
- Human Resource Development administrator
- Roles in workplace teaching and learning

Once you have completed the BAVE degree there are other study options available, such as the BAVE (Honours) degree, or articulation to the Bachelor of Education (In-Service) to be eligible for school teacher registration upon completion of selected units.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### How do I apply for BAVE?

You need to complete the UTAS Application for Admission form. The form can be accessed and submitted online at the web site [www.utas.edu.au/apply](http://www.utas.edu.au/apply).

#### How is the BAVE degree delivered?

BAVE is a distance education degree using a flexible delivery approach. Students are required to use the University's online delivery system MyLO (My Learning Online) for communication with lecturers and fellow students, and for submission of some assessment items. You are able to do your studies in your own time, and access the online facilities any time of the day, any day of the week.

There is also a required teaching practicum to be undertaken in a supervised educational setting.

#### Do I have to have a computer?

Access to a computer with internet, CDROM drive and printing facilities is essential to undertake this program. You communicate with your lecturers through MyLO and email, and this is supported by phone contact. Many students use computer programs such as Skype or msn.messenger to communicate with peers and lecturers.

#### How much time should I allow?

Plan to have ten hours of focussed time available for each unit of study each week during the two 13-week semesters of each year. You will need this time for readings, research and assignments.

#### I've never been to university. Are there any courses to help me become familiar with university study?

Yes, UTAS offers two course options at no cost to help you prepare for undertaking university study:

- UniStart is a short, pre-semester program, available online, and aimed at developing essential skills such as essay writing, academic reading and critical thinking. It is highly recommended for applicants who have not previously studied at university level.
- The University Preparation Program (UPP) is a year-long course of preparation for academic study.

Please access our web site or contact us to find out how these programs could work for you.

#### Will I have to pay HECS fees?

Yes, but only for the University component of your study. HECS fees can be paid 'up front' to obtain a 20% discount, or payment can be deferred until you are working and earning a salary above the current repayment level. More information about HECS can be obtained from the Commonwealth Government website [www.goingtouni.gov.au](http://www.goingtouni.gov.au)

#### Can I study part time?

Yes, you have a maximum of eight years to complete the BAVE degree.

