Master of Education (Research) (ED12)

Year offered: 2010
Admissions: Yes
CRICOS code: 002501G
Course duration (full-time): 1 year
Course duration (part-time): 2 years
Domestic fees (indicative): Aust citizens or PRs will be awarded an RTS/RTA place or a QUT sponsorship for tuition fees. If you exceed the max time, you will be charged - 2009: $6,720 per semester (indicative)
International Fees (indicative): 2010: $11,750 (indicative) per semester
Domestic Entry: February, July
International Entry: At any time (subject to constraints of coursework units)
Total credit points: 96
Standard credit points per full-time semester: 48
Standard credit points per part-time semester: 24
Course coordinator: Dr Sarojni Choy
Campus: Kelvin Grove

Entry Requirements
- a four-year education-related degree with a grade point average of at least 5 (on a 7-point scale) or equivalent, with demonstrated potential for further study and evidence of professional standing;
- OR a graduate diploma in an education-related field with a grade point average of at least 5 (on a 7-point scale) or equivalent, with a demonstrated potential for further study and evidence of professional standing;
- OR an honours degree in an education-related field with a minimum second class Honours division A or B.

Applicants who do not have professional experience in an education-related field would normally be expected to demonstrate their potential for further study with a grade point average of 6 (on a 7-point scale) or better.

Admission into the course is dependent on the availability of supervisors with expertise appropriate to the individual topic.

Overview
This program gives you an opportunity to research a topic of your choice, culminating in submission of a thesis. Under the guidance of your supervisor(s), you will conduct your research within the Faculty's Centre for Learning Innovation. As well as equipping you with the research and analytical skills to make a valuable contribution to knowledge, the Master of Education (Research) puts you in a position to market yourself as an expert in your field. The course is a fitting preparation for the doctoral programs offered by the Faculty: the Doctor of Philosophy and the Doctor of Education.

Course Structure
The course comprises four stages: preparation, confirmation of candidature, implementation and submission of a thesis of up to 40,000 words.

(i) Preparation stage: you undertake two research methodology units - Professional Applications of Research and Conducting Innovative Educational Research. Exemption may be granted for the methodology units if you can demonstrate that you have already completed equivalent studies or have relevant research experience. During this stage, you will determine the research methods to be used in your thesis and begin work on your literature review.

(ii) Confirmation of candidature stage: you present and justify your research proposal at a seminar attended by academic staff and your peers. Your confirmation document includes your research design and your draft literature review.

(iii) Implementation stage: you execute your research proper, collecting your data and analysing the results.

(iv) Submission stage: in the final stage of your Master of Education (Research) journey, you finish writing your thesis and present it to a review panel for approval at a final oral seminar open to the public. Once approved, your thesis is ready to be submitted for examination.

Application Procedures
As part of your application for the course, you are required to submit a short research proposal. It is recommended that you consult the course coordinator or prospective supervisors for their assistance.

Course Requirements
University and Faculty rules governing credit, supervision, confirmation of candidature and examination of thesis apply to the Master of Education (Research).

How to Apply
Domestic students apply directly to QUT on a PR form. International students complete an FR form. These can be accessed via studentservices.qut.com under ‘Help at hand’, at QUT Research Students Centre counters or by phoning 07 3138 5306.

Further Information
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Potential Careers:
Academic, Administrator, Adult/Workplace Educator, Child Care Professional, Community Education Officer, Community Worker, Counsellor, Early Childhood Teacher, Educator, English Teacher, Government Officer, Guidance Officer, Higher Education Worker, Kindergarten Teacher, Manager, Occupational Health and Safety Officer, Police Officer (Australian Federal), Preschool Teacher, Primary School Teacher, School Counsellor, Secondary School Teacher, TAFE Teacher, Teacher, TESOL Teacher, Trainer.

UNIT SYNOPSISES

EDN611 PROFESSIONAL APPLICATIONS OF RESEARCH
The unit focuses on the needs of professionals to seek research knowledge that addresses specific problems or issues in their practice and to develop a positive attitude towards research in general. It assists students to search databases and other sources to locate published research reports in their field and evaluate them critically.

Credit points: 12    Campus: Internet and Kelvin Grove
Teaching period: 2010 SEM-1 and 2010 SEM-2

EDN612 CONDUCTING INNOVATIVE EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH
The unit aims to enhance capacities for undertaking research in educational and other learning contexts that is innovative in both its focus and its approach. The unit engages students in a comprehensive examination of relevant research theory and practical application.

Prerequisites: EDN611    Credit points: 12    Campus: Internet, Kelvin Grove and External
Teaching period: 2010 SEM-1 and 2010 SEM-2

IFN101 FULL-TIME MASTERS RESEARCH (EXTENSION)
This unit provides full-time postgraduate research students with study in a relevant area leading to the development of a thesis. The thesis shall be not fewer than 50,000 words and shall constitute a substantial contribution to knowledge and understanding in the area of the research.

Credit points: 48    Campus: Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove

IFN200 PART-TIME MASTERS RESEARCH
This unit provides part-time postgraduate research students with study in a relevant area leading to the development of a thesis. The thesis shall be not fewer than 50,000 words and shall constitute a substantial contribution to knowledge and understanding in the area of research.

Credit points: 24    Campus: Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove
IFN201 PART-TIME MASTERS RESEARCH (EXTENSION)
This unit provides part-time postgraduate research students with study in a relevant area leading to the development of a thesis. The thesis shall be not fewer than 50,000 words and shall constitute a substantial contribution to knowledge and understanding in the area of research.
Credit points: 24    Campus: Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove

IFN302 MASTERS RESEARCH
Credit points: 12