Education

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education)
Master of Guidance and Counselling
Graduate Certificate of Career Development
The Singapore campus of James Cook University

Established in 2003

The Singapore campus of James Cook University is fully owned by James Cook University Australia, which is ranked in the top 2%* of universities in the world. James Cook University Australia established its Singapore campus in 2003 as part of its expressed intent of internationalising its activities and offers a suite of university level programs at the Singapore campus covering the areas of Business, Information Technology, Psychology, Education, Accounting, Arts, Aquaculture, Environmental Science, Games Design, Tourism and Hospitality.

James Cook University offers Higher Degree by Research programs such as Doctor of Philosophy, Master of Philosophy and pathways to a higher degree.

Additionally, the campus offers courses at the pre-university level, specifically designed to provide pathways for students who are unable to immediately meet university entrance standards.

The Singapore campus of James Cook University is located at Sims Drive. The campus provides students with access to a full range of facilities and services to support their learning. These include lecture and seminar rooms, library and associated study facilities, computer laboratories, financial lab and access to a variety of sporting facilities.

James Cook University Inter-campus Mobility Program

James Cook University provides the opportunity for students to study in Singapore and in Australia and yet still remain as Singapore based students paying their fees in Singapore currency. This is a unique program in Asia because the university operates across both countries. The program is designed to ensure the students get the best possible outcomes from their years of study with the university.

EduTrust Star

James Cook University has the highest level of quality assurance in Singapore for Private Education Institutions. This is known as EduTrust Star and is a symbol of recognition for outstanding achievement. EduTrust Star is awarded to those institutions for attaining a commendable level of performance in managing their institutions and providing an outstanding quality of education and welfare for their students.

James Cook University is the first organisation with EduTrust Star. By obtaining this award for the second time in 2019, James Cook University has displayed its commitment and focus as a student centric educational institution.

SQC STAR

James Cook University has also been awarded the Singapore Quality Class STAR (SQC STAR). The SQC STAR recognises SQC organisations that have made further improvement in their business excellence journey.

* The Academic Ranking of World Universities, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, 2018
# The Doctor of Psychology (Clinical Psychology) program is also available, please refer to details in the Psychology brochure.
James Cook University’s Education degrees offer a world of opportunities, whether you plan a teaching career in an urban area, a rural or remote setting, or taking your skills overseas and travelling the world.

A degree in Education from James Cook University has global recognition and value.
Bachelor of Education
(Early Childhood Education)

The early years of life are a time of rapid brain development as the foundations of learning and development are laid. High quality early childhood education makes a difference to the lives of young children during their prior-to-school years and the early years of schooling. As an Early Childhood Education student you will focus on the education and care of children aged from birth to eight years, learning about development, behaviour and wellbeing.

Overall you will experience 100 days of workplace learning in a range of early childhood (prior to school) and school locations. We draw on our strong partnerships in a variety of educational settings to organise suitable placement for you in a variety of venues.

This course is nationally accredited through the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) in association with the Queensland College of Teachers (QCT). Graduates of this course will be eligible to apply for Teacher registration in Australia.

The Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) is also fully accredited with ACECQA, the Australian Children’s Education and Care Quality Authority.

Duration: 3 years full-time
6 years part-time

Course Structure: 3 trimesters per year
(full-time: normally 4 subjects per trimester
part-time: normally 2 subjects per trimester)

Intakes: March, July, November

Total Tuition Fees: $62,916 (International)
$60,776 (Domestic)*

*Fees apply to all Singapore residents (Singapore Citizens, Permanent Residents and all pass holders excluding those holding a Student Pass).

Note: All course fees include prevailing 7% Goods and Services Tax (GST)
Students will pay the tuition fees in equal instalments. The details of the breakdown will be provided in your Student Contract. Please contact us for further details.

Career Prospects:
Early Childhood Education is a specialised field of education that leads to work in schools, preschools, kindergartens and childcare centres. A typical day is active and rewarding, involves indoor and outdoor work, and may require after-school hours.

Note: The programme is not an Early Childhood Development Agency (ECDA) accredited programme. Graduates who wish to work in the local early childhood sector will need to submit an application to ECDA for Teacher Registration via a preschool. Approval by ECDA will be subjected to the applicant meeting the requirements for Teacher Registration.

1 The students will be eligible for the Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) award title if they have completed a minimum of 41 days of placement in prescribed education placements in Australia.

The students who have not completed 41 days of placement in Australia will graduate with a Bachelor of Early Childhood Education degree.
Course Structure

Students need to complete the following subjects:

**LEVEL 1**

- Education Perspectives and Practice
- Science and Sustainability in Education
- Foundations of Language and Literacy in Education
- Early Childhood Education and Care 1
- Technologies for Early Childhood Education
- Early Childhood Arts Education
- Educational Psychology: Learners and Learning
- Teaching Mathematics and Numeracy in Primary and Early Childhood Settings

**LEVEL 2**

- Health and Physical Education for Early Childhood
- Early Childhood Mathematics and Numeracy
- Early Childhood Language and Literacy
- Planning for Engaging Learning
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education
- Humanities and Social Sciences for Early Childhood
- Science Education for Early Childhood
- Students with Reading Difficulties

**LEVEL 3**

- Inclusive Education: Differentiated Learning for Students with Special Needs and Abilities
- English as an Additional Language/Dialect for Indigenous Learners
- Technologies Across the Curriculum
- Advanced English Education for Early Childhood
- Early Childhood Mathematics and Numeracy 2
- Reflective Teaching Cycles and Positive Learning Environments (ECE)
- Early Childhood Education and Care 2

**LEVEL 4**

- Service Learning
- Indigenous Futures
- Fourth Year Professional Experience A
- Fourth Year Professional Experience B
- Leading Wellbeing and Sustainability in Learning Communities
- Teachers as Ethical and Collaborative Change Agents
- Education across Culturally Diverse Contexts

Additional Information

1. Students who complete the degree and undertake as part of the degree a minimum of 41 days of placement in prescribed education placements in Australia will receive a Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) and will be eligible to apply for registration as a teacher in Australia through recognition of completing an accredited course. Those who complete this fully accredited Australian program must undertake professional experience in Australia and are required to take the Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education (LANTITE) and meet the standards as a condition of graduation.

   *Travel and living expenses in Australia will be at students’ own cost.*

2. Students who complete the degree and who do not undertake 41 days of Professional Experience in Australia will receive a Bachelor of Early Childhood Education degree and will have to check on eligibility to apply for registration as a teacher in Australia on an individual basis.

3. Upon graduation students must demonstrate an overall IELTS (or equivalent) score of 7.5 (with no score below 7 in any of the four skills areas, and a score of no less than 8 in speaking and listening) as required by the Queensland College of Teachers in order to be eligible to be a teacher in Queensland, Australia. The cost of testing will be met by applicant.

4. All students are required to attend a compulsory 5-day on-campus intensive Professional Orientation Program in their final year of study. This intensive program prepares you for your transition to teaching.

5. International students on a Student Pass will have to complete the professional experience subjects in countries other than Singapore.
Master of Guidance and Counselling

Our Master of Guidance and Counselling degree is designed for teachers who are interested in qualifying as school guidance counsellors, and others who wish to pursue professional careers in Counselling as well as those with experience in the human resource sector who would like to develop highly effective interpersonal skills at work generally.

This course is accredited by the Australian Counselling Association (ACA) in Australia and in Singapore by the Singapore Association for Counselling (SAC), giving graduates the ability to pursue careers in both countries as well as internationally.

Duration: 28 months part-time
Course Structure: 3 trimesters per year
   take 1-2 subjects per trimester
Intakes: March, July, November
Total Tuition Fees: S$37,878 (Domestic)*

*Fees apply to all Singapore residents (Singapore Citizens, Permanent Residents and all pass holders excluding those holding a Student Pass).

Note: All course fees include prevailing 7% Goods and Services Tax (GST)
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This program is available to Singapore citizens, Singapore PR or Dependant Pass Holders

Career Prospects:
The Master of Guidance and Counselling degree equips graduates with skills, knowledge, understanding and personal awareness to become professional counsellors in a variety of locations and settings.

For those who do not wish to pursue the professional counselling route, the Course will advance them professionally by equipping them with a sophisticated range and depth of interpersonal skills, knowledge, understanding and personal awareness which can be applied to a diverse range of work settings.
Study Program

Students are required to complete 12 subjects (36 credit points) based on availability and scheduling.

8 core subjects (24 credit points):
- Foundations of Counselling Theory
- Foundations of Counselling Practice
- Advanced Counselling
- Assessment
- Atypical Development
- Career and Leisure Guidance & Counselling
- Reflective Practice Research in Guidance & Counselling
- Practicum in Guidance and Counselling

4 subjects (12 credit points) from the following
- Introduction to Educational Research
- Behaviour Management
- Educational Leadership
- Individual Researched Action Project

Advanced Standing

Students may be granted advanced standing if, in addition to meeting the entry requirements, they have a minimum of two years full time relevant working experience.

Course Requirements

- Each 3 credit point subject requires a minimum of 130 hours of study time per trimester including one 25-hour intensive contact block.
- Practicum consists of 130 hours of practice (100 hours minimum face-to-face counselling) over a period of 2 trimesters.
- Students are supported in sourcing and making arrangements for practicum placements. The University meets supervision requirement costs (within University guidelines).
One of the reasons why I chose the Master of Guidance and Counselling is because I believe that communicative guidance is a very effective strategy to provide assistance to the issues of others.

James Cook University has its reputation in the psychology and counseling field and their programs are accredited by the Singapore Association for Counselling.”
Graduate Certificate of Career Development

James Cook University’s Graduate Certificate of Career Development is an accredited course designed to enhance your qualifications in the fields of career education and career guidance and counselling. You may choose to further your studies into a Master of Guidance and Counselling.

The Career Industry Council of Australia (CICA) has endorsed the Graduate Certificate of Career Development delivered by James Cook University as meeting the Professional Standards for Australian Career Development Practitioners.

The Graduate Certificate of Career Development offers a pathway into the Master of Guidance and Counselling for those who do not meet the entry requirement concerning an appropriate degree.

**Study Program**

Students are required to complete 4 core subjects (12 credit points)

- Foundations of Counselling Theory
- Career and Leisure Guidance & Counselling
- Career Development Portfolio Part 1
- Career Development Portfolio Part 2

Students who have successfully completed a Master of Guidance and Counselling degree or postgraduate equivalent may apply for advanced standing for the core subjects Foundations of Counselling Theory and Career and Leisure Guidance and Counselling.

**Duration:** 12 months part-time  
**Course Structure:** 3 trimesters per year  
**Intakes:** March  
**Total Tuition Fees:** S$13,054 (Domestic)*

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**Career Prospects:**
Graduates will have a specialisation in career development counselling.
“I have a Diploma in Child Psychology and Early Education. Thus it is logical for me to further my studies in the same field. The whole program enhances and advances what I have learnt in my Diploma. The diverse exposure and content of James Cook University’s Bachelor of Education offers me a fuller insight into Education. It helped me to sharpen my skills, equipped me with more knowledge, and taught me how to communicate with people from different cultures in this cosmopolitan society.”
Entry Requirements

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education)

Entry Requirements

- Satisfactory completion of 12 years of schooling or equivalent

Pre-requisite

- English subject equivalent to Grade D or higher in A level English or any language rich subject, or Grade C or higher in AS level English and/or successful completion of any English language rich subject deemed comparable to Australian standards, assessed on a case-by-case basis
- Mathematics A or B or C subject equivalent to Grade D or higher in A level Mathematics, or Grade C or higher in AS level Mathematics, or Grade of C or higher in O level Mathematics
- Authority Science subject equivalent to Grade D or higher in A level or C or higher in AS level: Biology, Biology (Human), Chemistry, Physics

English Requirements

- Applicants of non-English speaking backgrounds must meet the English language proficiency requirements of an overall score of 6.5 in Academic IELTS (or equivalent) with sub-scores no less than 7.0 in Speaking and Listening and no less than 6.0 in Reading and Writing; or
- Satisfactory completion of James Cook University Singapore English Language Preparatory Program (ELPP)

Additional Requirement

- Applicant needs to submit a QTAC Online Questionnaire / Personal Statement for assessment

Master of Guidance and Counselling

Entry Requirements

- Completion of a cognate, three year Bachelor Degree Cognate disciplines including education, psychology, social work, law, health or career development.
- In exceptional cases, applicants may be admitted to the course if they submit other evidence of academic and professional attainments and their candidature is approved.

English Requirements

- Applicants of non-English speaking backgrounds must meet the English language proficiency requirements of an overall score of 6.5 in Academic IELTS (or equivalent) with sub-scores no less than 7.0 in Speaking and Listening and no less than 6.0 in Reading and Writing; or
- Satisfactory completion of James Cook University Singapore English Language Preparatory Program (ELPP);
- Successful completion of other qualifications completed in English Language deemed comparable to Australian standards within the last two years on a case-by-case basis

Graduate Certificate of Career Development

Entry Requirements

- Successful completion of a recognised undergraduate degree
- Entry requirements for this course are consistent with the Pathways to Qualifications in the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF level 8) Guidelines for Masters degrees. (Further information on AQF can be found at www.aqf.edu.au)

English Requirements

- Applicants of non-English speaking backgrounds must meet the English language proficiency requirements of IELTS 6.5 (no component lower than 6.0) / TOEFL (Internet Based) 86 (no component less than 21) / Pearson PTE Academic 58 (no component less than 54); or
- Satisfactory completion of James Cook University Singapore English Language Preparatory Program (ELPP);
- Successful completion of other qualifications completed in English Language deemed comparable to Australian standards within the last two years on a case-by-case basis
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