

DEVELOPING OUR WORKFORCE

**TEACHER INTERN
PLACEMENT
PROGRAM**



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Are you entering your final year of teacher education at UTAS?

If you are, now is the time to start thinking about your future and how you begin your teaching career. If you want to join a new generation of teaching professionals in Tasmanian Government schools, the Teacher Intern Placement Program is for you!

The Teacher Intern Placement Program provides UTAS teacher education students with the opportunity to undertake their final year of study whilst based in a school. The Teacher Intern Placement Program allows successful participants (Interns) the opportunity to work alongside Practice Focused Mentors (experienced teachers) to embed practical teaching skills into their final year of study.

This is an exciting opportunity for selected student teachers to move into a permanent teaching position in 2020, after a supported yearlong Internship in a school in 2019.

Am I eligible?

The Teacher Intern Placement Program is open to teacher education students who are on course to graduate.

Candidates are selected on the following:

- Have received all passes or better in their study to date.
- Have completed and passed scheduled Professional Experiences prior to final year placements.
- Have a maximum of four units per semester to complete in their final year of UTAS – the Internship year.
- Are able to demonstrate a commitment to teaching in a Tasmanian Government school following their graduation.
- Are willing to undertake a placement in locations identified by the DoE.
- Show an aptitude to becoming a highly accomplished teacher.

Past years evaluations of TIPP have shown the program to be highly valued by Interns in supporting them to being classroom ready on the first day of their first teaching position.

What does it look like?

During 2019 UTAS study continues online, whilst working in a school alongside the dedicated Practice Focused Mentor who guides work in the classroom.

The Teacher Intern Placement Program covers 35 hours per week on the school site. Of this time up to 15 hours per

week is dedicated study time and the remaining time is spent in the classroom or on other teacher related activities.

The program is designed to provide student teachers with the option of an alternative final year of study which will help better prepare them for work in Tasmanian Government schools.

What will I receive?

Successful applicants are provided with a number of financial incentives and support.

- A \$15,000 financial scholarship;
- Placement in a Tasmanian Government school (35 hours per week) during final year of study, working alongside experienced teachers;
- Access to mentor and colleague teachers for professional development to support professional development and training;
- Use of a teacher device and access to the Department's network;
- Accommodation and/or travel support where applicable;
- Consideration for a Limited Authority to Teach in terms 3 & 4; and
- A permanent position in a Tasmanian Government school.

Why is this initiative being offered?

The Department recognises that a highly skilled workforce is key to achieving our Learners First commitment to inspire and support all learners to succeed as connected, resilient, creative and curious thinkers.

Teachers are one of the biggest predictors of student success, and therefore highly qualified teachers are critical to our achievement of this commitment and improving student learning outcomes.

The Teacher Intern Placement Program was developed to attract quality initial teacher education graduates from the University of Tasmania to Tasmania's Government education system. This important initiative is a key investment in supporting and developing a new generation of proficient and accomplished classroom teachers.

Contact

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