

Deakin International Initial Teacher Discovery International (IITD) placements

- International placements are complex, and many factors need to be taken into consideration when planning and finalising these placements from a Deakin perspective. The university is supportive but needs to fit within accreditation requirements. As these requirements are set externally, they are subject to change. If these change, we will let you know.

General information:

- An IITD placement must contribute towards a unit within your course. The IITD will take the place of an approved core placement unit. The placements associated with each of the units below can be completed with an IITD:
- If you meet all the below 4 points, you are eligible to apply for an IITD in 2025:
- You are a current student in one of the following courses:
 - Bachelor of Education (Primary) E359
 - Bachelor of Arts/ Master of Teaching (Secondary)/ D303
 - Bachelor of Health and Physical Education E377
 - Master of Teaching Primary E762
 - Master of Teaching Secondary E763
 - See Specific Units Listed Below: per course
- Student over 18 Years of Age)
- You have a Weighted Average Mark (WAM) of at least 70 at the time of application
- A valid current passport (or be willing to order a new passport 2 weeks after you have received an offer to the program). Please note your passports expiry date must be at least 6 months after you return from your travels to be considered valid.

Specific units (in tri-2)

- Bachelor of Education (Primary) E359: ETP300, ETP303
- Bachelor of Arts/ Master of Teaching (Secondary)/ D303: EPR782
- Bachelor of Health and Physical Education E377: EPP204 (HPE METHOD/ EPP303 Alternate Method)
- Master of Teaching Primary E762: EPR782
- Master of Teaching Secondary E763: EPR782

The process of undertaking an Overseas placement in lieu of a national placement begins with course advice from Student Central prior to applying to ensure you have room in your course for this experience and that it aligns with one of your mapped practicum units.

Identify where in your course you are currently with respect to your course progression e.g.: you have completed 1/7 placements and are interested in undertaking an international placement. They will advise which placements are possible for your course, if any.

- It is important to note that 51% of your placement days must take place in Australia and certain placements are not available to be undertaken internationally (i.e. your final placement)
 - Your IITD and previous placement experience may impact your suitability to undertake an international placement.
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- **It is your responsibility to ensure that you are eligible for the ITTD before applying via the application portal.**
 - Contact your Course Director, with your course code and student ID, and whether you are a domestic or international student and seek their confirmation to apply for the program.
 - Acceptance into the program and access to enrol into the unit is subject to selection process with academic coordinator.
 - Once you have applied for a program through the program application portal, you will be invited to an interview.
 - If successful students will be offered a place in a program, and the ITTD Team will issue students accepted into the program with access and instructions to enrol in the program unit on Student Connect.
 - As a rule, we prefer like for like placements. For example, if an international placement takes the place of a 20-day placement in a primary school, the international placement should also be a 20-day placement in a primary school.
 - Once accepted, PSTs may be required to secure a WWCC equivalent/Police Check for the geographical area (e.g.State) of their international placement school. It is a PSTs responsibility to organise this in a timely manner and provide it to the required organisations, including the PEO.
 - PSTs must sign a Deed of Acknowledgement and Indemnity form (an agreement between Deakin and PST)
 - A school must sign a Letter of Agreement for Education Practicum (an agreement between Deakin and the placement school)
 - The process of applying for a GEP is slightly different and organised through the MALT program.