



Credit for Prior Learning (CPL)

Professional Experience Information for Pre-Service Teachers

Determining Your Eligibility for Credit for Prior Learning in a Professional Experience Subject

To determine whether you are eligible for Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) in a Professional Experience Subject, please refer to the eligibility criteria below:

- Are you a conditionally accredited teacher?
- Have you accumulated at least one term of regular teaching experience in a NSW school before your application date? (**Note: Day-to-day casual work, even at the same school, does not qualify. Providing evidence of sustained engagement in lesson planning and implementation is essential.**)
- Have you not received credit for prior learning for a previous professional experience subject?

If you answered yes to all the above questions, you may be eligible to apply for credit towards an eligible professional subject. Keep in mind that the granted credit may range from 5 to 15 days, depending on the extent of your prior teaching experience.

Important Considerations for CPL:

- The CPL process is applicable for the year 2024 only.
- The School of Education consideration for CPL is dependent on school-based teaching employment as a NESA conditionally accredited teacher.
- Applicants for CPL in eligible programs (as listed in the Credit for Prior Learning Protocols Document on vUWS) may be granted credit based on the duration and scope of their teaching experience.

Applying for CPL:

- CPL can only be applied to one professional experience placement.
- Students must fulfill all requirements of the professional experience subject, irrespective of the awarded credit.
- Extensions to the application deadline will not be granted under any circumstances.

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CPL Application Process:

Complete the form linked here: <https://forms.office.com/r/67btQe1FLC>

After form completion, you will receive an email requesting the following evidence. Respond to the email within 5 working days with:

- An official statement from your employer in a recognised primary or secondary school, including details such as teaching role, number of days employed, and identified teaching experience.
- A written statement from you explaining your teaching experience, including specific teaching activities and details about whether it was across schools or classes.
- A portfolio of evidence supporting the above.
- A statement from supervisor confirming supervision arrangements, support, and evidence of planning, feedback on teaching (if available), and student assessment.
- The Director of Professional Experience will review the provided documentation.
- A formal assessment of the application will be conducted, and you will be notified of the application outcome.