

Remote Schools for Professional Experience Placements

Working in a remote school is a terrific opportunity to develop your skills and increase your knowledge and practice in working with Indigenous students effectively. Remote schools face many challenges, including implementing the Australian Curriculum which calls for unique pedagogical approaches that meet the needs of the student and community of which they are a part whilst striving to achieve high outcomes. CDU offer professional experience placements for Pre-service teachers undertaking their 2nd, 3rd or final placement.

Professional experience placements will incur some expenses depending on where you are placed and any interested students will be required to attend some additional workshops in preparation.

The following remote schools are Teaching Schools and are available for placement:

Maningrida School



Maningrida College is located in Northern Arnhem Land in the Northern Territory and has been in operation since 1958. They offer primary and secondary schooling to the predominantly Indigenous community in the Maningrida area. In 2014 there were 651 student enrolments.

Maningrida School has a strong focus on literacy and numeracy and increasing student learning in these areas. The school have recently embarked upon the Visible Learning journey which underpins everything we do within the school. Its core teaching programs are Accelerated Literacy, Words their Way, Jolly Phonics and Curriculum into the Classroom for Maths. Within the Secondary area there is a strong focus towards a pathway to employment. This involves VET courses focused on “Learning on Country”, Child and Family Studies and Construction. The school also delivers three specialist programs, Science, PE and Language and Culture.

For more information on this school please visit <http://www.schools.nt.edu.au/maningrida/2012/>

Please Note: Accommodation is available at no cost

Milikapiti School

Milikapiti School is located on Melville Island which forms part of the Tiwi Islands, approximately 100kms North West of Darwin. Milikapiti Community has a population of about 450 and approximately 80 students are enrolled at Milkapiti School.

The school has recently implemented the Flexible Literacy Program: Direct Instruction. The school has been creative in its endeavours to cover all KLAs and by blending four Primary classes into three groups using a rotational planner. From Monday to Thursday teachers implement specialised sessions across the



Curriculum. One teacher is The Arts, another Science, another Health & PE, another History and Culture and another Literature/ Library and Keeping Safe Curriculum. Mathematics is currently an hour per day in class groups.

Currently there are 77 students enrolled from Preschool to year 7. Attendance averages 85% and the school and community relationship is strong. Teachers are supported by strong local Tiwi Assistant Teachers in the classroom.

For more information on this school please visit <http://www.schools.nt.edu.au/tegs/milik/mili.htm>

Please Note: Accommodation is available at no cost

Lajamanu School

Lajamanu School is approximately 580 kms South West of Katherine in the Northern Tanami Desert. The school has 220 students and offers education from pre-school through to Year 10. Lajamanu School has approximately 30 staff including Principal and Deputy Principal, teachers, Vet Trade Trainer, assistant teachers and support staff working in the areas of grounds, kitchen, sports and attendance.

Lajamanu is a two-way learning school working together with local staff to incorporate as much learning as possible in Warlpiri. The school follows the Australian Curriculum and the NT Multi Year Level Curriculum documents to plan teaching and learning. Core areas of teaching are literacy and numeracy with additional classes in science, history, sport, Warlpiri Language and Culture and health and relationships. Early childhood (transition to year 2) incorporate a play based learning approach in the junior school.

Lajamanu is a Warlpiri community with strong ties to other Warlpiri communities towards Alice Springs. People speak fluent Warlpiri and use English as their second language. The community is a 6 hour drive from Katherine with the final 105kms being on dirt. There is a bus service that goes in and out of Katherine twice per week. There is a well stocked shop, service station, medical centre and police station.

Students are advised to take their own Telstra pocket Wi-Fi. Only Telstra mobile phone connection is available.

Please note: Accommodation for pre-service teachers is available at no cost.



Wallace Rockhole School



Wallace Rockhole School is located in Wallace Rockhole which is a small Aboriginal community located 117 kilometres west of Alice Springs. To get there, it is a 100 kilometre drive along Larapinta Drive on a sealed road, and then 17 kilometres of graded dirt road. It is the home for approximately one hundred people, although this fluctuates from time to time. The languages spoken are Western and Southern Arrarnta.

There are currently 24 students from pre-school to year 6 enrolled at the school with one Teaching Principal who is supported by strong local Assistant Teachers.

For more information on this school please visit

<http://www.schools.nt.edu.au/wallace/community.html>

Please Note: Accommodation is available at no cost

Belyuen School

Belyuen School is a small school located in the Belyuen Indigenous Community on the Cox Peninsula, 128km by road from Darwin and 15km from a ferry service that provides access to Darwin by sea. Belyuen school has provides education to students from preschool to primary years. The school implements a Social and Wellbeing Program that addresses the needs of the student on a daily basis. Through this program the school aims to provide a safe, friendly and inviting environment for all students. The school also has a breakfast and nutrition program in place; all students are provided with breakfast and lunch on school days. The community has a population of approximately 225 people. Languages spoken in the community include Emi and Batjamalh. Transient families and ongoing community issues affect school attendance at Belyuen.



Please Note: Accommodation is not available, daily travel to and from the community is required

CDU Placement Expectations:

- Remote placements in Teaching Schools are to be arranged through CDU.
- Placements in remote schools will be available for 2nd, 3rd or final placements.
- No less than two pre-service teachers at one time will be placed in a remote school.
- Pre-Service Teachers interested in a remote placement will need to complete an EOI application and read the Remote Ready handbook and You're in New Country – Learning Both Ways
- If accepted students will be required to undertake a two hour intensive session with the Teaching Experience team to ensure that you are remote ready.
- Travel will be Darwin to remote community and return only – CDU will cover costs up to \$1000 for travel only