

# ACE MEMBERSHIP

ACE is the longest serving and most prestigious professional association for Educators throughout Australia. ACE is committed to representing the education profession and providing valuable services and support to all educators across all sectors, systems, subjects and levels. Membership applications are assessed against a number of criteria including service to the education profession and ability and willingness to actively contribute to ACE.

## Involvement in the Education Profession



### Professional Registration and Qualifications

Education sectors include early childhood, primary, secondary, tertiary, vocational education and training and adult education. The registration and/or accreditation requirements for each of these sectors varies depending on which sector you work in and the state or territory in which you practice. Applicants are required to provide evidence of relevant professional education registration and/or accreditation specific to their sector and geographical location.

Formal qualifications held that have been awarded by a recognised education and/or training institution. Required information includes the name of the qualification (for example Bachelor of Education), the issuing university, education or training entity and the year in which the qualification was conferred.

Evidence may include:

- Early Childhood: Teacher registration details and/or accreditation depending on the State of employment. If employed in a State or Territory that does not require registration, evidence of approved National Quality Framework (NQF) qualifications for centre based services with pre-school aged children or under are required. For further information, please refer to the NQF website [HERE](#)
- Primary and Secondary: Teacher registration number including State/Territory where registration is held and year in which registration was attained;
- Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education: relevant qualifications as specified by the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) under the Standards for Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) 2015;
- Tertiary Educators: current employment details including employer and position.

## Professional Standing



### Certifications

Certifications may include those awarded by Government agencies such as Lead or Highly Accomplished Teacher for those working in school based settings. Certifications from other organisations such as the Certified Practising Principal or Certified Higher Education Professional as well as non-education specific certifications (for example from the Australian Institute of Company Directors - AICD).



### Awards and Achievements

These can relate to professional and personal achievements including those in the workplace. Possible inclusions for this criteria including article publications, research, appointments to committees, boards, working groups, advisory panels, Australia Day honours.



### Referees

A minimum of one referee is required with preference being given to referees who are ACE members. Referees may be both professional and personal.

## Professional Contribution



### Professional Memberships

This is the opportunity to highlight other professional groups, associations or organisations that you are an active member of. These memberships do not have to be directly related to education but rather highlight your active involvement with and dedication to belonging to a variety of groups.



### Contribution to ACE

Being a member of ACE is more than receiving benefits and utilising post-nominals. Membership to ACE requires active involvement in and contribution to help the College achieve our goals and objectives.

# MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

## Involvement in the Education Profession

To be eligible for ACE Membership applicant must hold basic qualifications and/or professional registration or above.

	GOOD	BASIC	Limited/None	
 Professional Registration	Currently registered with the relevant State or Territory authority as per the requirements of the sector in which applicant is employed and/or Applicant holds relevant accreditation from recognised educational or training institution	Registration is pending or provisional	Limited or no information regarding sector relevant registration or accreditation has been provided	
 Qualifications	Applicant holds multiple formal qualifications from recognised educational institutions	Applicant holds formal qualifications from recognised educational institutions	Applicant holds basic required qualification for education sector in which they are employed	Applicant holds no formal qualification No evidence regarding formal qualifications has been provided

## Professional Standing

To be eligible for ACE Membership applicant must achieve good or exceptional for each of the three criteria.

Applicants who receive basic in any of the criteria will be considered for provisional membership with a review after one year.

	Exceptional	Good	Basic	Limited	None
 Certifications	Applicant holds recognised certifications such as Lead, Highly Accomplished, Certified Practising Principal or Certified Higher Education Professional	Applicant holds certifications from other organisations or professional associations	Applicant holds workplace based or personal certifications	Applicant holds certifications that cannot be verified	No evidence regarding certifications has been provided
 Awards and Achievements	Significant record of professional achievement combined with both professional and personal accolades	Positive record of professional and personal achievement	Some record of professional and personal achievement	Limited record of professional and personal achievement	No record of professional or personal achievement
 Referees	Applicant's referees have provided an exceptional reference based on both professional and personal knowledge	Applicant's referees have provided a good reference based on both professional and personal knowledge	Applicant's referees have provided a basic reference	Applicant's referees have provided a negative reference	No referees were provided

## Professional Contribution

Whilst not mandatory to be awarded ACE membership, consideration will be given to applicant's commitment to and involvement with ACE and other professional organisations

 Professional Memberships	Active membership to multiple recognised professional associations	Active membership to 2-3 recognised professional associations	Active membership to a recognised professional association	Membership to a non-professional group or organisation	No record of professional memberships
 Contribution to ACE	Indicated a strong commitment and willingness to contribute to multiple ACE activities	Indicated a commitment and willingness to contribute to ACE activities	Indicated willingness to contribute to an ACE activity	Indicated very limited willingness to contribute to ACE	No willingness to contribute ACE

