

Teaching Excellence Program

The Teaching Excellence Program (TEP) is a year-long professional learning program for skilled teachers, supporting them to connect with passionate, like-minded colleagues and deliver outstanding outcomes for students.

In the TEP, teachers delve into evidence-informed practice in and across the disciplines and apply this learning in their classrooms. Teachers undertake a practitioner inquiry approach to deepen their knowledge, capability and confidence to teach even more effectively in their context.

Evidence-informed resources for impact

The Academy offers a range of evidence-informed resources to enhance teaching practice, strengthen leadership, and improve student outcomes.

Key to programs

School sectors

- ▲ Victorian government
- ▲ Catholic
- ▲ Independent



For more information or to register your interest for the Teaching Excellence Program please scan the QR code. Or search 'Teaching Excellence Program' at academy.vic.gov.au

The Victorian Academy of Teaching and Leadership empowers teachers and school leaders across all school sectors—government, Catholic and independent—with world-class, evidence-informed professional learning and resources.

By investing in the expertise, leadership and status of the profession, the Academy enhances teaching practice, strengthens leadership, and improves student outcomes.

Through this work, we support a high-performing, equitable education system that benefits every student, teacher and school leader.

Contact us

Talk to your local Academy team or visit one of our 9 locations across Victoria to discover more about the programs the Academy offers.

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Elevate teaching excellence

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Audience: Skilled classroom teachers with a minimum of 3 years' experience from the government, Catholic and independent sectors.

Mode: onsite in Melbourne, across Academy regional centres and online.

Structure: TEP is a year-long professional learning program which includes:

- 1 x orientation session (online)
- 2 x conference days (Melbourne)
- 4 x discipline days (Melbourne)
- 4 x Teaching Excellence Learning Community days (closest Academy location: Bairnsdale, Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, Melbourne, Mildura, Moe, Shepparton)*

*subject to cohort size



What are the benefits to teachers?

'The Teaching Excellence Program has afforded me the invaluable opportunity to engage reflectively on my practice, challenge preconceived notions of pedagogy, and develop meaningful connections with my peers. I owe my ongoing growth as a teacher to the learnings I take away.'

- **Jordan, TEP graduate**

'I can't help but feel grateful for the incredible professional learning journey this year has provided. The connections I've made and the insights I've gained have truly shaped my understanding of the future of education.'

- **Emma, TEP graduate**

'The Expert Teachers in Residence have provided me with engaging workshops to broaden my knowledge on the different problems of practice within the field, question my own ideologies about education, and shape my philosophy of teaching.'

- **Natasha, TEP graduate**

What are the benefits to schools?

TEP teachers support a culture of teaching and learning excellence in their schools. They connect to networks of passionate teachers in their local area and across Victoria. They support leadership teams by modelling their commitment to advancing the quality of their own teaching and inspiring their colleagues so that every student can achieve their potential.

What is it?

The TEP connects teachers to a cross-sectoral network of national and international experts and peers. TEP teachers are supported by a team of Academy Expert Teachers in Residence who facilitate the TEP.

The TEP includes a diverse range of learning events throughout the year, including opportunities for teachers to network and collaborate in discipline days and place-based Teaching Excellence Learning Communities (TELCs). The TELCs are where the magic happens. In TELCs, teachers come together from across sectors, disciplines, school types, year levels, and locations to apply their discipline-focused learning to their specific classroom and school context.

The discipline days focus on teaching and learning in each of the disciplines and draw upon evidence-informed, contemporary research and practices in the field.

In addition, teachers in the TEP undertake practitioner inquiries that provide collaborative and independent opportunities to use their learning to plan, trial and evaluate approaches to teaching that are relevant to their own teaching contexts and communities.

Teaching Impact Fellowship

TEP graduates are eligible to apply for a Teaching Impact Fellowship.

In the Teaching Impact Fellowship, teachers are supported to:

- identify a problem of practice within their school
- conduct research to find effective solutions
- apply their ideas and share their learning led teams to drive whole-school improvement.