

Teacher Educator - Kaiako/Senior Educator - Kaihautū

Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Primary

Fixed Term - 0.8 FTE – 1.0FTE

Bethlehem Tertiary Institute (BTI) invites applications from passionate, experienced New Zealand educators who are ready to inspire the next generation of teachers through our Bachelor of Education (Teaching) Primary programme in Tauranga. We welcome applicants who bring experience, creativity, and the potential to contribute to programme or committee leadership as part of their ongoing professional growth at BTI.

Our Vision and Values

Vision: *A relational, responsive, and culturally aware Christ-following tertiary learning community. Our commitment is to cultivate a faithful expression of the Kingdom of God here on Earth. We are dedicated to providing Christ-centred, biblically informed professional preparation, development, and research that empowers individuals for agentic and transformative work.*

Values:

- A biblically informed Christian worldview shared by our team
- The integration of personal and professional inquiry
- A strengths-based approach to learning within a missional community
- A deep commitment to upholding Te Tiriti o Waitangi relationships in Aotearoa, New Zealand

To be successful in this role, you will need:

- A passion for equipping future teachers to thrive in diverse New Zealand classrooms
- Strong knowledge of the New Zealand Curriculum and effective research-informed pedagogy
- A commitment to culturally responsive, inclusive, and faith-informed practice
- A post-graduate qualification or willingness to work towards one
- Current registration as a New Zealand teacher (Full Practicing Certificate)
- An understanding of servant leadership and collaborative ways of working

Desirable Attributes:

In addition to the essential requirements listed above, we are seeking someone who demonstrates:

- A desire and potential for leadership within a collaborative team environment
- Experience in administration and quality assurance processes
- A willingness to contribute to innovation and continuous improvement in teacher education
- Strong ICT skills, including the ability to use digital tools effectively to support teaching, learning, and administration
- The ability to learn and adapt quickly to new systems, processes, and ideas
- A post-graduate qualification and engagement in ongoing professional learning or research
- Knowledge of inclusive education
- Knowledge of the curriculum refresh
- Recent experience in the classroom

For an experienced educator or senior educator:

- Opportunities exist for involvement in programme review, curriculum development, professional development for staff, research leadership and team leadership.

What we offer:

- A preferred start date of Monday, 12 January 2026.
- Flexibility in work hours (outside of wānanga and teaching days).
- Negotiated working from home options.
- A culture that supports you to work within your areas of strength.
- An environment that prioritises workplace wellness.
- An opportunity to engage in research and professional growth.

Applications close **at 5:00 pm on Friday 21st November 2025**, and should include a CV and covering letter. Applications will be reviewed as they are received, and interviews may be conducted prior to the closing date.

We look forward to welcoming a new colleague who shares our passion for transformational education.

Please apply via the SEEK website to Gayle Te Kani (Head of School, School of Teacher Education) c/o Preetha Pratapsingh (Executive Assistant): p.pratapsingh@bti.ac.nz

If you have any questions regarding the role, please contact Janette Blake (Programme Leader - Primary): j.blake@bti.ac.nz

A copy of the Position Description is available at www.bti.ac.nz.