

Bethlehem Tertiary Institute Teacher Education Student Declaration

In line with the Teaching Council of Aotearoa, New Zealand's requirements all applicants for teacher education programmes are required to sign a declaration of convictions, pending charges or matters which may impact on their ability to register as a teacher, including mental and physical fitness.

If the answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes', you must provide specific details during the application interview for the programme you are applying for.

Immediate notification to the Programme Leader is required should any personal information change of the answer to the following questions become 'Yes' within the duration of the programme.

Should such changes become evident to staff or the student, during or before professional experience placements (PEP), BTI has the right to suspend the PEP or delay commencement until such a time as the student can provide medical or other evidence to ensure it is safe for all parties for you to continue.

Offences Against the Law

Have you been convicted of any criminal charges, or do you have any criminal charges pending?

Yes

No

NB: These include charges not covered by the [Clean Slate Act \(2004\)](#)

Physical and Mental Health

Teaching is a physically and mentally demanding profession. It requires high levels of physical and mental/emotional resilience enabling teachers to respond positively to the daily stresses and strains of the profession. Being physically fit for teaching acknowledges the diversity of physical ability, however, requires that teachers are able to effectively undertake all aspects of the teaching role including duties and extra-curricular activities. Being mentally fit for teaching, acknowledges that teachers can experience mental health issues, however they must have strategies in place to respond appropriately to their own mental wellbeing without impacting the wellbeing of students.

Do you have any physical, medical, or mental health concerns or difficulties that may affect your ability to study at BTI, undertake Professional Experience Placements, or contribute effectively to the teaching profession?

Yes

No

I confirm that all the information contained in this declaration is true and correct. I understand that giving a false declaration or failing to disclose information may prevent me from being accepted into the programme or if accepted, prevent me from continuing in the programme.

Agree (Electronic Signature): Name:

Date: