# **Australian Education Index**



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### Description

The Australian Education Index is a comprehensive collection of educational research documents relating to educational trends, policy, and practices. The database is produced by the Cunningham Library at the Australian Council for Educational Research and is Australia's largest source of education information. Coverage includes trends and practices in teaching, learning and educational management.

#### Subject Coverage

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All documents are indexed using ACER's Australian Thesaurus of Education Descriptors.

Coverage of lifelong learning theories, issues, practices and techniques includes the following topics:

- Cognitive Development
- Computer Assisted Learning
- Curriculum
- Educational Policy
- Educational Psychology
- Educational Technology
- English (Second Language)
- Language Acquisition
- Management in Education
- Multicultural Education
- Physical Education
- Science Education
- Special Educational Needs
- Teacher Education

**Update Frequency** 

Quarterly

#### **Document Types**

Reports Conferences, Symposia, Meetings Journal Articles Books Online resources

Date Coverage 1977 – present

#### Geographic Coverage Australia

### Publisher

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АВ	□ Abstract (summary)	Translate					
	This study reports on science student perceptions of their skills (scientific knowledge, oral communication, scientific writing, quantitative skills, teamwork and ethical thinking) as they approach graduation. The focus is on which teaching activities and assessment tasks over the whole program of study students thought utilised each of the six nominated skills. In this quantitative study involving two Australian research-intensive universities, the teaching activities identified by students as developing the broadest number of skills were laboratory classes and tutorials. Lectures were only effective for developing scientific knowledge and, to a limited extent, ethical thinking. Assessment tasks that students perceived to utilise the broadest range of skills were assignments and oral presentations. The findings of this study document the students' perspective about their gains in skill sets, and the teaching activities and assessment tasks that require them to use and thus develop these skills. The findings provide an opportunity to evaluate the constructive alignment of skills development, teaching activities and assessment tasks from a student's perspective. Further research is required to actually measure the skills that students gain over their whole program of study. [Author abstract, ed]						
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LOC	Location	Australia					
ТІ	Title	Assessment and teaching of science skills : whole of programme perceptions of graduating students					
AU,AUFN,AULN	Author	Hodgson, Yvonne <sup>1</sup> ; Varsavsky, Cristina; Matthews, Kelly E					
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LA	Language	English					
DTYPE	Document type	Journal-articles-overseas					
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Location	LOC	loc(australia)	Usually country names.
Notes	NT	nt(refereed article)	May include information regarding the physical appearance or the information included in the document.
Pagination	PG	pg(515) pg(515-530)	The start page is searchable on the Look Up Citation page.
Publication date	PD	pd(201408) pd(>=20100101)	Date range searching is supported. Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.
Publication Title <sup>1</sup>	PUB	pub("independent education") pub("australian journal*" AND career)	Title of publication where document originally appeared. Also includes alternate title and monographs. Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.
Publication year	YR	yr(2013) yr(2012-2014)	Single years or a range of years may be searched.
Publication type	PSTYPE	pstype(articles)	
Source information	SRC	src(clinic*)	Includes Publication title, Volume, Issue, ISSN, Publication date, and Pagination. Also searchable via the Look Up Citation tool.
Subject <sup>1</sup>	SU	su(drama) su(mass media)	Thesaurus available on the Advanced and the Command Line search pages on the right above the query box.
Title (Document)	TI	ti("critical think*" AND environment)	Use Adjacency and/or Boolean operators to narrow search results.
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### Abstract included

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Author, Document type, Language, Publication title, Subject, Publication date

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KWIC (Keyword in Context)	Detailed view plus all occurrences of your search terms, highlighted within the fields where the terms occur.	~	~
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