Rachel Sheffield has been a lecturer in the School of Education at Curtin University since January 2012 and in other Perth universities for over ten years. She has extensive experience in primary and secondary education in schools throughout Western Australia. Recently she has taught in Universities at undergraduate and postgraduate level, writing and developing units and courses. Currently her focus includes the use of a range of technologies including research into the use of IWB (Interactive White Boards) in promoting discourse in primary classrooms and currently how Web 2.0 tools can facilitate on-line scaffolded inquiry in tertiary and primary classrooms. In 2014 she was the recipient of the Faculty of Humanities Excellence and Innovation in Teaching Award, First Year Focus Teaching Award with members of the Common First Year Team and also won a Curtin University Teaching Excellence award.

Teaching strengths

First year experience, Flipped classroom; Enhancing pedagogy with technologies

Description of teaching to showcase to others

The second year unit Inquiry in the Science Classroom the Bachelor of Education uses technology and hands on pedagogy to teach science.

Open Door availability

**Unit: Inquiry in the science classroom**
**Times Available:** Monday 2-4pm
**Dates Available:** Any University class scheduled Monday in semester 1
**Location of Session:** 501.218
**Maximum available visitor number:** 2
**Available for consultation:** Directly after this session and can also be negotiated

**Unit: Inquiry in the science classroom**
**Times Available:** Tuesday 8-10 am
**Dates Available:** Any University class scheduled Tuesday in semester 1
**Location of Session:** 501.217
**Maximum available visitor number:** 2
**Available for consultation:** Directly after this session and can also be negotiated

**Unit: Inquiry in the science classroom**
**Times Available:** Wednesday 2-4pm
**Dates Available:** Any University class scheduled Wednesday in semester 1
**Location of Session:** 501.218
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