

# Federation University Australia

Library adds **SAGE Video Education Collection** to meet the demand for pertinent, engaging content by students and faculty alike.



## Institution Profile

Federation University Australia was the first regional, multi-sector university and the third oldest institute of higher learning in the country with a proud 145-year history. Students attending FedUni can choose from a wide range of undergraduate, postgraduate and vocational education and training programs to prepare for their first career or transition to a new one. While FedUni serves the regional Victorian communities with campuses in Ballarat, Gippsland and the Wimmera, the university also boasts an international outlook, reflected by the school's diverse mix of 23,000 international and domestic students.

## The Challenge

With enrollment of millennial students rising, librarians at Federation University Australia (FedUni) knew they wanted to add to their collection of academic video content to support these digital natives, as well as faculty members and other researchers. With three campuses spread across Victoria, FedUni needed content that could be easily accessed – when and where it was needed – both for suggested course material and independent research.

## The Solution

Julie Lasinger, Information Resources Librarian at FedUni, was one of a number of librarians that conducted content evaluations before selecting the *SAGE Video Education Collection*. She noted, “Based on what we’d seen, we found the material very relevant to our teaching.”

The Collection features 450 videos – more than 120 hours of content offering students an inside look into teaching settings and situations from early childhood education through to educational leadership. This range of content is well-suited to all of the degree options available through the School of Arts and Education – from Bachelor of Education degrees with concentrations in early childhood, primary or secondary education to a number of postgraduate degree options for teaching or education.

## The Result

To spread the word about the newly added content, the library added MARC records with links to the content in the library catalogue along with a catalogue record that links directly to the database. Ms. Lasinger noted, “We also have links to the database via subject guides, and users are directed to relevant databases during library classes.” The content types in the *SAGE Video Education Collection* – 65 percent of which are exclusive to SAGE – include case studies, tutorials, expert interviews and more so that faculty members can direct students to the most appropriate resource. Practitioner demos are particularly helpful in enabling students to understand theory through practical application. As a valuable resource for students, faculty and researchers, Ms. Lasinger said, “We are exploring other ways to promote the use of this content collection.”



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