

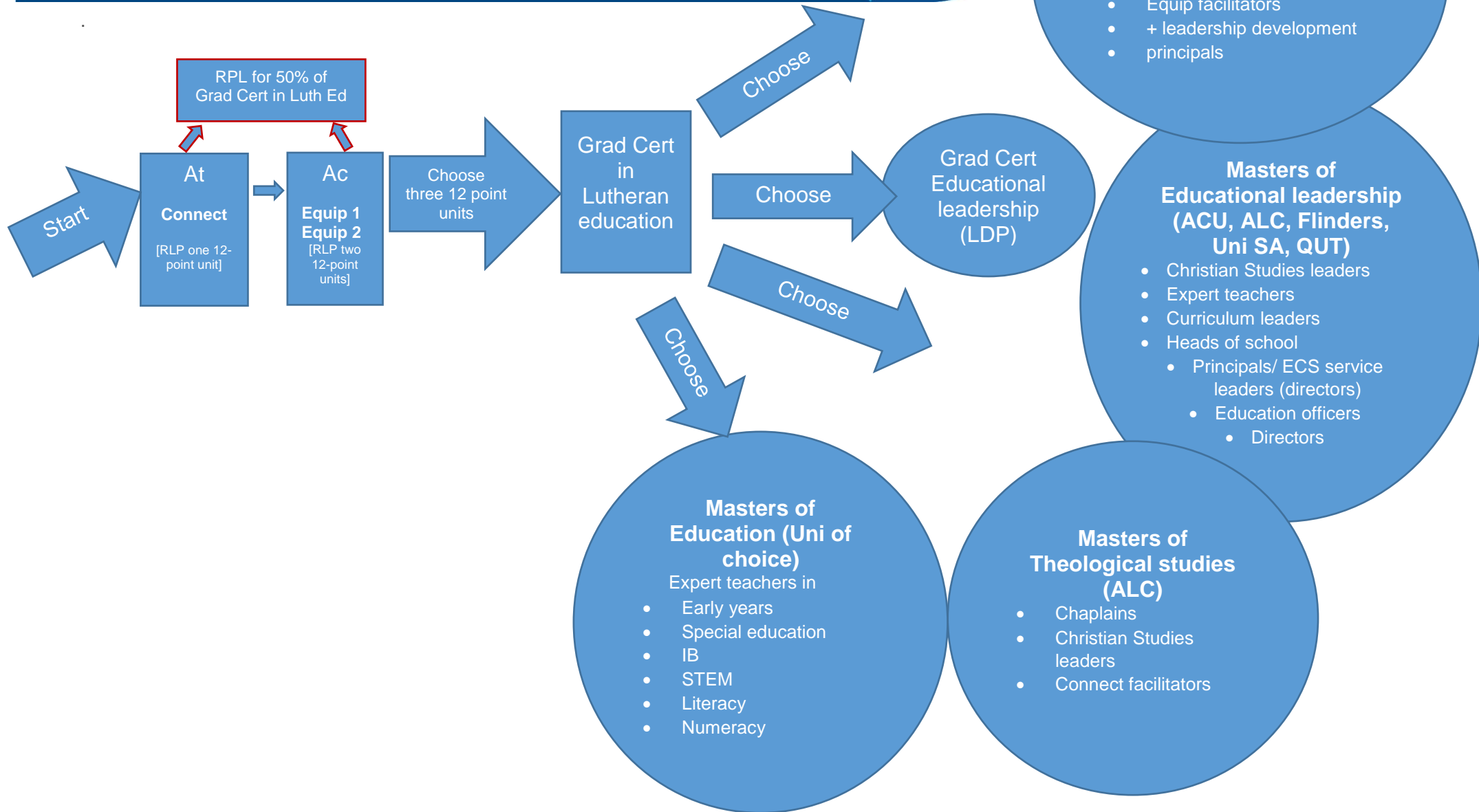
Tertiary credentialing

Connect and the ePortfolios provide synergy between expectations of the Lutheran Church of Australia and the broader expectations of the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers (APST). *Connect* supports the ongoing professional growth of teachers in providing the opportunity for staff to receive tertiary credentialing for their ePortfolio through Australian Lutheran College. Successful completion of an ePortfolio through *Connect* will be recognised as prior learning towards a Graduate Certificate in Lutheran education.

The credentialing of *Connect* provides for:

- enhancement of the educational quality of Lutheran education through ongoing, locally relevant professional learning and research as evidenced in the ePortfolios.
- reduced costs to staff should they choose to undertake tertiary study. *Connect* (12 point unit) and Equip 1 and Equip 2 (two 12 point units) provide recognised prior learning for up to 50% of a Graduate Certificate from Australian Lutheran College. Teachers will, therefore, achieve a Graduate Certificate at significantly reduced costs
- contribution to staff educational profile and career pathways. See below.

Accreditation and career paths in Lutheran education for teachers



Masters of Religious education (ACU)

- Christian Studies leaders
- education officers
- Equip facilitators
- + leadership development
- principals

Masters of Educational leadership (ACU, ALC, Flinders, Uni SA, QUT)

- Christian Studies leaders
- Expert teachers
- Curriculum leaders
- Heads of school
 - Principals/ ECS service leaders (directors)
 - Education officers
 - Directors

Masters of Education (Uni of choice)

- Expert teachers in
- Early years
 - Special education
 - IB
 - STEM
 - Literacy
 - Numeracy

Masters of Theological studies (ALC)

- Chaplains
- Christian Studies leaders
- Connect facilitators