

CENTRAL OUTBACK TRAINING

QLD Higher Level Skills Program 2020-21

The Higher-Level Skills program is funded by the *Queensland Government* and provides eligible individuals with access to a subsidised training place in selected certificate IV level or above qualifications and priority skills sets.

The Higher-Level Skills program aims to assist individuals gain the higher-level skills required to secure employment or career advancement in a priority industry or transition to university to continue their studies.

It is important that you choose the right course for you to take full advantage of the program as you can only access this subsidised training **once**.

As a condition of your enrolment, you will be required to complete a student training and employment survey within three months of finishing or discontinuing your training.

Who is eligible to receive training?

To be eligible for the Higher-Level Skills program, individuals must:

- be aged 15 years or over and no longer at school
- permanently reside in Queensland
- be an Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident (includes humanitarian entrant), temporary resident with the necessary visa and work permits on the pathway to permanent residency, or a New Zealand citizen
- not hold, and not be enrolled in, a certificate IV or higher-level qualification, not including qualifications completed at school and foundation skills training
- You must be an existing worker in the industry to be eligible to enrol

Do I need to contribute to the cost of training?

Students are required to contribute to the costs of their training through a *co-contribution fee*. This non-refundable fee may be paid on your behalf by an employer or another third party.

Higher-Level Skills Program Course Available	Non-Refundable Student Co-contribution Fee	
	Non-Concessional	Concessional
AHC40116 - Certificate IV in Agriculture - full-time course delivered in the workplace over 12-24 months' timeframe	\$150.00	\$75.00

Concessional Student status applies when:

- the student holds a Health Care concession card or Pensioner concession card issued under Commonwealth law, or is the partner or a dependant of a person who holds a health care concession card or pensioner concession card, and is named on the card
- the student provides the PQS with an official form under Commonwealth law confirming that the student, his or her partner, or the person of whom the student is a dependant, is entitled to concessions under a health care or pensioner concession card
- the student is an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- the student is a school student and is enrolled in a VETiS program (may include youth in detention)
- the student has a disability
- the student is an adult prisoner.

The Queensland Skills Gateway displays the courses available under the Higher Level Skills Program and provides information about what they cover, the careers they can lead to, and the training providers approved to deliver them – visit www.training.qld.gov.au/skillsgateway

For more information and access to the student fact sheet click [here](#)

If you are unsure of your eligibility, please contact our office on 0427 230 763.

