

Career Boost

Career Boost will help Queenslanders to level-up at work, enabling them to grow their skills to existing or new roles, and to support productivity growth and workplace innovation.

The program delivers training to help individuals develop the higher-level skills needed to secure employment, advance their careers, or progress to further education and training.

Career Boost replaces funding previously available through the Higher Level Skills and User Choice programs.

Eligibility

Under Career Boost, a student may access either:

- one subsidised training place in either a certificate IV, diploma or advanced diploma qualification under the general training pathway, or;
- a higher level apprenticeship/traineeship in a certificate IV or above.

In addition, under Career Boost, students may access 2 subsidised skill sets in priority industries or sectors.

If the student has already accessed 2 apprenticeships/traineeships through a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship (SAT) or Career Start within the last 10 years, they are not eligible to undertake an apprenticeship/traineeship under Career Boost.

A student cannot do 2 general training pathway qualifications under Career Boost.

General training pathway

To access a subsidised training place under Career Boost, a student must meet the following criteria:

- aged 15 years or older
- not be a school student
- permanently reside in Queensland
- be an Australian citizen, or Australian permanent resident (includes humanitarian entrant), or a temporary resident with the right visa and work permits on the pathway to permanent residency, or a New Zealand citizen
- not already have a certificate IV or higher qualification (including tertiary qualifications) completed within the last 10 years* (qualifications completed as a school student, and foundation skills qualifications don't count)
- not be enrolled in another qualification, even if it's on hold or deferred, whether funded by the Department of Trade, Employment and Training or not (foundation skills qualifications don't count).

*Note: This eligibility requirement doesn't apply to individuals seeking to enrol in a skill set.

Along with the eligibility criteria above, specific entry restrictions or exemptions may apply to certain subsidised qualifications and skill sets. These are set by industry or sector requirements, as well as national training package guidelines.

Apprenticeship or traineeship pathway

To be eligible to receive government subsidised training, the apprentice or trainee must:

- have entered into a training contract for a qualification that is funded by the department and be registered on the department's systems
- if from overseas, have a visa allowing them to work in Australia
- not have already completed 2 apprenticeship/traineeship qualifications within the last 10 years. This includes school-based apprenticeships or traineeships.

What training is available

- **AHC40122 Certificate IV in Agriculture**

How much will I pay

Queensland Government will pay part of your training course costs directly to Martyr Training Services.

You pay the remaining training course costs (a co-contribution fee).

Co-contribution Fees General Training Pathway Co-contribution fee amount

Given the increased benefits of advanced level training, such as improved job opportunities and higher earning potential, students enrolled in certificate IV or higher qualifications, as well as skill sets, are required to contribute to the cost of training through a co-contribution (student) fee.

This fee can be paid by an employer, a family member, a friend, or another organisation, but it cannot be paid or waived by Martyr Training Services or any person or entity connected to Martyr Training Services. The fee amount is set at \$1.00 per nominal training hour for each unit of competency.

Martyr Training Services must charge only 40% of the standard fee if an apprentice/trainee meets any of the following criteria: under 17 years of age at the end of February in the year training is provided, is not at school and has not completed Year 12; holds a Health Care Card or Veteran or Pensioner Concession Card, or is the partner or dependent of someone who does; or identifies as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (First Nations people). If an apprentice/trainee is experiencing serious financial difficulties and can demonstrate this, they may qualify for a full fee exemption.

Apprenticeship/traineeship pathway Co-contribution fee amount

For apprenticeships and traineeships, the fee is different as both the employer and Martyr Training Services share responsibility for training. The fee is set at \$1.60 per nominal training hour for each unit of competency and is the same across all SAS. Only DTET can adjust the fee amount, which is reviewed each year. However, Martyr Training Services must charge only 40% of the standard fee if an apprentice/trainee meets any of the following criteria: under 17 years of age at the end of February in the year training is provided, is not at school and has not completed Year 12; holds a Health Care Card or Veteran or Pensioner Concession Card, or is the partner or dependent of someone who does; or identifies as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (First Nations people). If an apprentice/trainee is experiencing serious financial difficulties and can demonstrate this, they may qualify for a full fee exemption.

Accessing VET Student Loans

You may be eligible to access [VET Student Loans](#) to cover all or part of your contribution when accessing approved diploma or advanced diploma qualifications as well as a small number of Certificate IV qualifications.

You must enrol with a [VET Student Loans approved training provider](#) to access this assistance.

Contact

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