

WA Jobs and Skills Entry Procedure

This guide explains how to apply to EQC Institute for a WA Government-funded place through Priority Industry Training (PIT) or Participation - Work Readiness (PWR). Read it with our Student Entry Policy and the WA fact sheet and student agreement for your chosen course.

1. Check the course and entry requirements

You must be 18 or older when you enrol with EQC. There are no under-18 exceptions, including parent or guardian consent. This is EQC's admission rule; a lower government funding age threshold does not override it.

We will discuss your goals, previous learning and experience, and review your language, literacy, numeracy and digital literacy skills. Tell us about any accessibility or support needs so we can explain the help available and advise whether the course is suitable for you.

Ask us to confirm that your course, location and intake have funded places available. Meeting entry requirements does not guarantee a subsidy or a fee-free place.

2. Check your WA funding eligibility

For these pathways, your main home must be in Western Australia. You need a valid Unique Student Identifier (USI) and must be an Australian citizen, permanent resident or holder of an eligible visa. Secondary school students and prisoners are generally excluded, as are residents of Christmas Island and Cocos Island, unless the Department has given a relevant written exception. No funding exception permits EQC to enrol someone under 18.

Temporary residents: Eligibility depends on your actual visa and the current WA rules. New Zealand citizens holding subclass 444 are included in the eligible visa categories. A visa allowing study does not, by itself, establish funding eligibility.

The 2026 WA policy includes visa subclasses 300, 309, 444, 445, 449, 461, 785, 786, 790 and 820. For subclasses 188, 457, 482, 489, 491 and 494, the listed category is secondary visa holders.

It also includes Bridging Visa E holders (050 or 051) with a valid application for subclass 785 or 790, and bridging visa holders with work rights and a valid subclass 866 application. We will check your evidence against the rules that apply when you seek funding.

If you hold a student visa or are unsure about your status, contact us before applying. We will explain the relevant admission pathway; do not assume you qualify for WA funding.

Your application

3. Tell us about your work and study

PIT: You cannot have an active apprenticeship or traineeship contract registered in WAAMS. Where an Existing Worker place applies, the work threshold is at least 20 hours weekly across one or more employers. We will confirm the requirements of the available place.

PWR: This pathway is for unemployed people or those working fewer than 20 hours weekly who can participate in mainstream training. Tell us about other study: simultaneous qualifications need Department approval before training begins. Employment status alone does not establish eligibility.

4. Provide your supporting information

We will tell you which documents are needed for your application. These may include identity and age evidence, your USI, proof of your WA address, citizenship or visa information, evidence of work hours or unemployment, and details of previous qualifications and current study.

If you have a referral, provide it with your application. Let us know if any information changes or if you need help supplying evidence. We will explain how your information is used and provide the relevant privacy notice and declaration.

5. Understand your fees and offer

Before you enrol or are required to pay, we will give you written information about your course, funding outcome, fees and any additional costs, available support, and your responsibilities. You can ask questions before deciding to proceed.

A government subsidy does not necessarily cover every cost. Any fee-free arrangement, concession or exemption must apply to your course and circumstances. Your offer will explain what you must pay and what is included. A VET Student Loan, if available, has separate eligibility and application requirements.

Read your student agreement and the Fees Charges and Refunds Policy and Procedure for your payment, withdrawal and refund terms. This entry procedure does not reduce your agreed assessment attempts, refund entitlements or other protected rights.

6. Receive your application outcome

We will explain the outcome, any outstanding requirements and any agreed support. If a funded place is unavailable or you are ineligible, we can discuss other available options and their costs before you decide. A different funding or payment option does not waive EQC's entry requirements.

If you disagree with a decision, you can ask for a review through our Complaints and Appeals Policy and Procedure.

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For current government information, see [Jobs & Skills WA program rules](#) and the [WA VET Fees and Charges Policy 2026](#). Funding requirements can change; we will explain those relevant to your application.