CHC52015 Diploma of Community Services
National ID: CHC52015 | State ID: AWM0

About this course
Are you committed to social justice and building stronger communities?

This course enables you to assist individuals and groups to achieve social justice through empowerment, advocacy, communication, community programs and team work. The Diploma of Community Services will provide you with the practical skills and knowledge to manage the service delivery of community service organisations.

You will learn skills in consultation, community program development, group work, advocacy, case management, policy and research. You will also learn skills in the management of finances, work safety and the work environment. You will undertake projects that involve working as part of a team and with the community. As part of this qualification you will undertake a supervised work placement where you will be able to apply the skills and knowledge you have learned.

The course is delivered over 12 months and is grouped into 3 stages (approx. 40 weeks) Each stage comprises of a grouping of units which sequentially builds skills and knowledge for the qualification. Stage 1 comprises of units relating to workplace safety, compliance, diversity and communication which provide the knowledge and foundation for the remaining units Stage 2 comprises of units which relate specifically to the specialist areas of these qualifications in the areas of Counselling, Community Development and Youth Work. Stage 3 comprises of units that relate to working with complex individuals and managing services for clients in crisis.
Learners may choose to complete one or two of the Diploma qualifications rather than all three. The options are discussed with students prior to enrolling.

**CHC52015 Diploma of Community Services**

This qualification reflects the roles of community services and case management workers involved in the managing, co-ordinating and/or delivering of person-centred services to individuals, groups and communities. At this level, workers have specialised skills in community services and work autonomously under broad directions from senior management. Workers are usually providing direct support to individuals or groups of individuals. Workers may also have responsibility for the supervision of other workers and volunteers and/or case management; program coordination or the development of new business opportunities.

**CHC50413 Diploma of Youth Work**

This qualification reflects the role of people with responsibility for the development and the outcomes of programs and services for young people managed through a range of agencies and designed to meet the social, behavioural, health, welfare, developmental and protection needs of young people. This work may be undertaken through employment in community, government and welfare agencies.

**CHC51015 Diploma of Counselling**

This qualification reflects the role of counsellors, who work with clients on personal and psychological issues using established counselling modalities. They use communication, micro-counselling and interviewing skills and draw on varied counselling therapies to assist clients. At this level, the counsellor will be working in defined and supported counselling roles in established agencies rather than in independent practice.

If learners complete all the units on the timetable, plus have completed CHC40413 Certificate IV in Youth Work and CHC42015 Certificate IV in Community Services, they will gain certification in CHC52015 Diploma of Community Services, CHC51015 Diploma of Counselling and CHC51413 Diploma of Youth Work.

**Overview**

Training at CRTAFE will be offered with a blended, flexible delivery model to enable social distancing measures during the COVID-19 pandemic. This approach may include a combination of online and classroom based delivery, as well as practical and work experience placements. While the mode of delivery may vary, the content and key learning outcomes of the course will remain the same. Lecturers will provide specific instructions to their student groups on how training will be undertaken and the support available to them.
Semester 1, 2020

Geraldton Campus - Classroom Combined

Duration: 2 Semester/s
When: Semester 1, 2020
How: Face to face (class room)

Entrance requirements

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National Police Clearance must be no older than 6 months at time of enrolment. Working with Children Check (valid for 3 years).

Study pathway

Central Regional TAFE has many further study opportunities available. Check out our Course Guide for all your future study options.

Job opportunities

Your guide to Australian careers

Graduates from this course may have a career as a: Family support worker, Case coordinator, Group facilitator/coordinator, Case worker or manager, Pastoral care counsellor, Client service assessor, Pastoral care manager, Community services worker, Program coordinator or manager, Community worker, Senior youth officer, Coordinator family services, Early intervention worker or a Welfare worker.
Important information

You must enrol in Semester 1 for the full year and can also undertake the Diploma of Youth Work concurrently.

VET Student Loans

This qualification is eligible for the Commonwealth Government’s VET Student Loan scheme. Eligible students can opt to defer the payment of all or part of their tuition fees by applying for a VET Student Loan. VET Student Loans will not be approved for students who do not meet eligibility requirements. Approved loans become a personal debt with the Commonwealth (HELP debt) until it is repaid.

For more information on VET Student Loans at Central Regional TAFE click here.

For other VET Student Loan eligible courses please visit: www.education.gov.au/vet-student-loans [1]

Disclaimer

Courses at Central Regional TAFE are delivered subject to resources and demand. For the latest information, check with the appropriate campus, as course availability may be subject to review and change.

Fees and charges

Find our Indicative Price List here.

At Central Regional TAFE, three types of fees may be charged.

Course Fees
The course fee is determined by multiplying the tuition fee rate by the nominal hours, which is the number of hours in which an average student could be expected to complete each unit.

Resource Fees
Resource fees are charges for materials that are considered essential to a course or unit of study and which do not form part of the course fee. The resource fee covers materials purchased by the College to be consumed or transformed by students in the course of instruction, such as workshop materials, workbooks and essential uniforms.

Other Fees
Other fees may be charged for goods or services that are not essential to the course such as parking, membership to student organisations and security passes.

In addition to these fees students may need to purchase textbooks, uniforms and other course specific equipment. Your Pre Enrolment Information package will provide additional information if these are required.

Please note, fees are subject to change.