

State Government Training Assistance

Illawarra and South East NSW 23/09/2015



Department
of Industry

Smart & Skilled - 2015

- Subsidised full qualifications from Cert I all the way up an advanced diploma. Eg. Cert III Aged Care
- Fee-free part qualifications. Eg. heavy rigid truck, forklift, MYOB
- Can enrol for 2016 from mid November 2015
- www.smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au

Eligibility

- Australian citizen, permanent resident or humanitarian visa holder, or New Zealand citizen
- 15+ and have left school
- Live or work in NSW

What training is covered?

- Only qualifications on the NSW Skills List
- These are **full** qualifications (eg. “Certificate II”)
- Full qualifications are subsidised
- We can fully fund **part** qualifications which are Units within these full qualifications. Ie. part of a full qualification.
- No cost to retrenched workers. Eg. forklift, truck licences, MYOB, units from Certificate III in Aged Care
- In 2016 it no longer matters if you already have a qualification - you can still access subsidised training if it's on the Skills List

NSW Skills List

- Defines the qualifications and courses available
- Based on labour market analysis
- Involves industry consultation
- Covers state-wide and regional needs
- Covers all Government-funded training
- www.training.nsw.gov.au

How do I apply for Smart and Skilled?

- Check the Course Finder on the Smart and Skilled website from mid November for 2016 courses
- Contact the training providers in your area and ask them questions - find the best one for you
- Choose your preferred training provider and contact them to enrol
- www.training.nsw.gov.au

Skills Recognition

- Recognition of Prior Learning is a process that assesses the skills and knowledge you already have through work or experience – no fees
- It can shorten length of study for a qualification or mean you don't have to study at all
- You need to get a formal assessment with a registered training organisation
- www.training.nsw.gov.au

Trade Recognition

- A process where your skills and experience are assessed by a panel of industry and educational experts for awarding trade-related certificates
- Fees apply
- You can apply if you have:
 - Worked in a trade in Australia or overseas for around four years
 - Completed an apprenticeship or other trade training in Australia or overseas
 - Completed a recognised industry assessment program
 - Acquired an appropriate qualification (from an RTO)
- Ph: 9266 8450

Process

- Call Lyn to discuss if required
- Complete Expression of Interest form
- Send to Lyn with copy of letter of retrenchment
- Processed locally but approved in Sydney
- Training organisation will contact you about dates
- Best if done in groups

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