



ENSURE YOUR CHILD GRADUATES WITH SKILLS EMPLOYERS WANT.

TAFE NSW PARENT AND CAREGIVER GUIDE

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INTRODUCTION

You're the most important and influential person in your child's life. When it comes to study and career options, they may look to their peers, career advisors, and teachers for advice. However it's you who can truly guide their ambition.

The conversation around study and careers is an ongoing one. We know there's a lot of pressure and anxiety for both your child and yourself, when it comes to them choosing a career path.

We have prepared this guide to take some of the guesswork out of what TAFE NSW offers, so you can help your child choose the right course and learn about the support services we have in place to encourage their success.

INTERACTIVE EDITION

CONNECT TO YOUR PERFECT CAREER.

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Want to learn more about a career?
Our 2021 Career Guide has great interactive features.

Download our Be Ambitious Career Match Maker app, look for the 'mobile' symbol then scan your mobile or tablet to see TAFE NSW come to life; with graduate stories and details about our real world training.

Search 'Be Ambitious' or scan QR code below

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**TRAINING FOR ONE
JOB WILL GIVE
A STUDENT SKILLS
FOR 13 OTHER JOBS.**

Source: fya.org.au

FAST FACTS



85.9%
**EMPLOYER
SATISFACTION**

NSW EMPLOYERS ARE VERY SATISFIED WITH THE QUALITY OF THE NATIONALLY RECOGNISED TRAINING WE DELIVER*



93%
**WOULD RECOMMEND
TAFE NSW**

AS A TRAINING PROVIDER - NATIONAL VET AVERAGE 90%**



80%
**OF GROWTH
AREAS COVERED**

WE OFFER TRAINING IN 80% OF THE OCCUPATIONS PREDICTED TO HAVE THE GREATEST GROWTH OVER THE NEXT 5 YEARS^



83%
**GRADUATE
SATISFACTION**

TAFE NSW ENJOYS A RATING WELL ABOVE THE NATIONAL AVERAGE FOR THE OVERALL QUALITY OF TRAINING†

Source: ^ employment.gov.au, * Graduate Satisfaction Survey - Undergraduate [Quality Indicators of Teaching and Learning (QILT) - Course Experience Questionnaire 2017-2018.]. * NCVET, Survey of Employers' Use and Views of the VET System, 2017. ** VET - NCVET Graduate Outcomes Survey 2018



REASONS TO CHOOSE TAFE NSW

With our diverse range of courses, strong industry connections and approaches to learning that suit all needs, we will help our students to get the jobs they want.



Students come first

TAFE NSW has been evolving and adapting to the training and education needs of NSW for over 130 years. We exist to create outstanding learner experiences and provide quality and personalised services that allow your child to achieve your goals.



Individual support

Our students are never just numbers at TAFE NSW. Our small class sizes, student services, and social facilities all create an incredibly strong support network. We will always ensure that the students receive expert support in your specific area of interest.



Quality education

We partner with employers to provide mentorships, internships, work placements, and real world learning. Whatever their chosen course, your child will develop current, practical skills through both real and simulated work environments.



Strong industry connections

Our ambition is to help our learners with their career goals. With hundreds of partner organisations, and relationships with over 25,000 employers, we offer up-to-date industry insights and prime networking opportunities to help them develop relationships with industry. Your child will also discover an invaluable professional network among our TAFE NSW teachers and fellow students.



Excellent reputation

Our teachers are experts. They have worked in their industry and are passionate about their field. We know they are the best at what they do, because that's what our graduates tell us. TAFE NSW teachers combine their expertise with a friendly, relaxed, and supportive approach, to provide a comprehensive learning experience.

TAFE NSW SPECIALIST SCHOOLS





TAFE NSW DESIGN CENTRE ENMORE

The award-winning TAFE NSW Design Centre Enmore (DCE) allows students to explore their creativity. Our state-of-the-art facilities include purpose built exhibition spaces, studios and workshops, staffed by creative professionals boasting current industry experience and valuable contacts.

In the words of legendary artist and musician Reg Mombassa, "DCE runs excellent practical courses producing students with work-ready skills." If your child is ready to explore their creative side, then they're ready to enrol at DCE.

tafensw.edu.au/dce



TAFE NSW FASHION DESIGN STUDIO

TAFE NSW Fashion Design Studio (FDS) can turn a passion for fashion and creativity into a successful career through our range of exciting fashion, design and technology courses.

Recognised as a fashion school of excellence, FDS consistently ranks amongst the world's top fashion design schools, and boasts an alumni that reads like a 'who's who' of Australian fashion. FDS is the only fashion school in Australia to secure a placement at Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week Australia (Australia's premier fashion and lifestyle event). Our "Innovators" show features the collections of the top FDS graduates, and is recognised by the industry as one of the highlights of the Fashion Week calendar.

tafensw.edu.au/fds



TAFE NSW SYDNEY WINE ACADEMY

The TAFE NSW Sydney Wine Academy is an award-winning provider of world class training for the hospitality and wine industries.

Our teachers are highly respected winemakers, authors, show judges, and sommeliers, who share their industry expertise to help develop wine knowledge and tasting skills.

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TAFE NSW AUSTRALIAN PATISSERIE ACADEMY

The TAFE NSW Australian Patisserie Academy gives food enthusiasts and professionals the opportunity to immerse themselves in the culinary world. Utilising professional kitchens, students emerge with a dream patisserie skillset that ranges from cake decorating to creating one-of-a-kind chocolate showpieces.

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HUNDREDS OF COURSES TO CHOOSE FROM

Click on the images below for more information.



Business and Leadership

Administration
Business
Government
Leadership and Management
Legal Services
Library and Record Management
Marketing and Communications
Operations
Procurement and Contracting
Project Management
Small Business



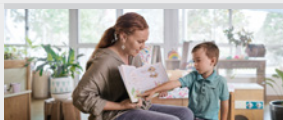
Finance

Accounting
Accounts Administration
Auditing
Banking Services
Bookkeeping
Commerce
Financial Services
Mortgage Broking



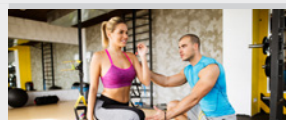
Information and Communications Technology

Database Design and Infrastructure
General IT Support and Digital Media
Interactive Media, 3D Animation and Games
IT Project Management
IT Security
IT Strategy and Management
Network Engineering
Software Development and Programming
System Analysis and Design
Telecommunications
Web Development



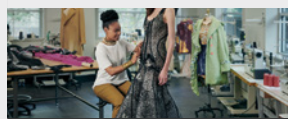
Community Services

Aged Care
Nursing
Early Childhood Education and Care
Community Services
Government
Disability Sector
Translation, Interpreting and Language
Public Safety



Health and Fitness

First Aid
Sport and Fitness
Nutrition
Outdoor Recreation
Nursing
Dental Industry
Laboratory Science
Healthcare, Audiometry and Optical



Creative, Fashion, Music

Art and Design
Fashion and Textiles
Floristry
Photography
Printing, Signs and Graphics
Music and Sound
Production



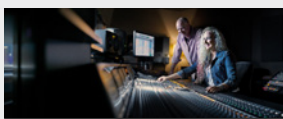
Sales and Retail

Business Sales
Customer Engagement
Retail Leadership
Retail Management
Visual Merchandising



HR, Training, WH&S

Change Management
HR Management
Sustainable Practice
Training and Assessment
Work, Health and Safety



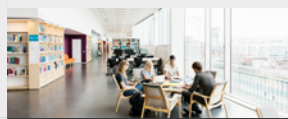
Screen and Media

Animation
Digital Media
Film and Television
Games Design
Journalism
Radio



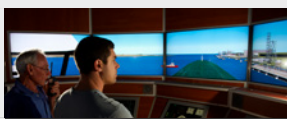
Engineering and Electrotechnology

Engineering
Electrotechnology
Air Conditioning and Refrigeration



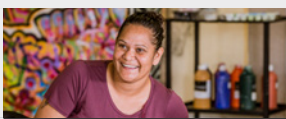
Library and Information Services

Library and Record Management



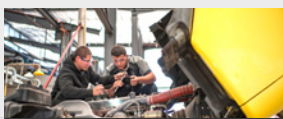
Aviation and Maritime

Aviation and Aeroskills
Maritime Operations and Marine Engineering



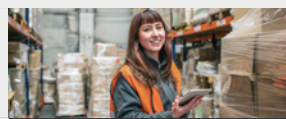
Aboriginal Education

Aboriginal Cultures and Courses
Aboriginal Languages



Automotive Trades and Services

Automotive Repair and Maintenance Trades
Automotive Parts and Sales



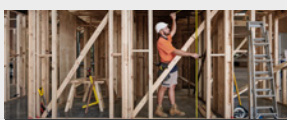
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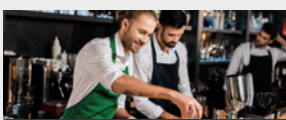
Animal, Agriculture and Environmental Studies

Animal Care and Horse Industry
Environmental Studies
Agriculture
Horticulture
Natural Resources



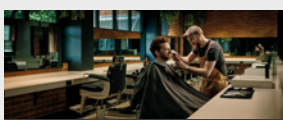
Building, Construction and Property

Building Design and Architecture
Building Trades
Carpentry, Joinery and Furniture
Civil Construction and Surveying
Real Estate and Property Services



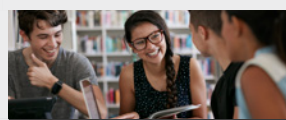
Tourism, Hospitality and Events

Travel and Tourism
Hospitality
Event Management
Commercial Cookery and Baking
Food Science, Production and Processing



Hairdressing and Beauty

Hairdressing and Barbering
Beauty Therapy



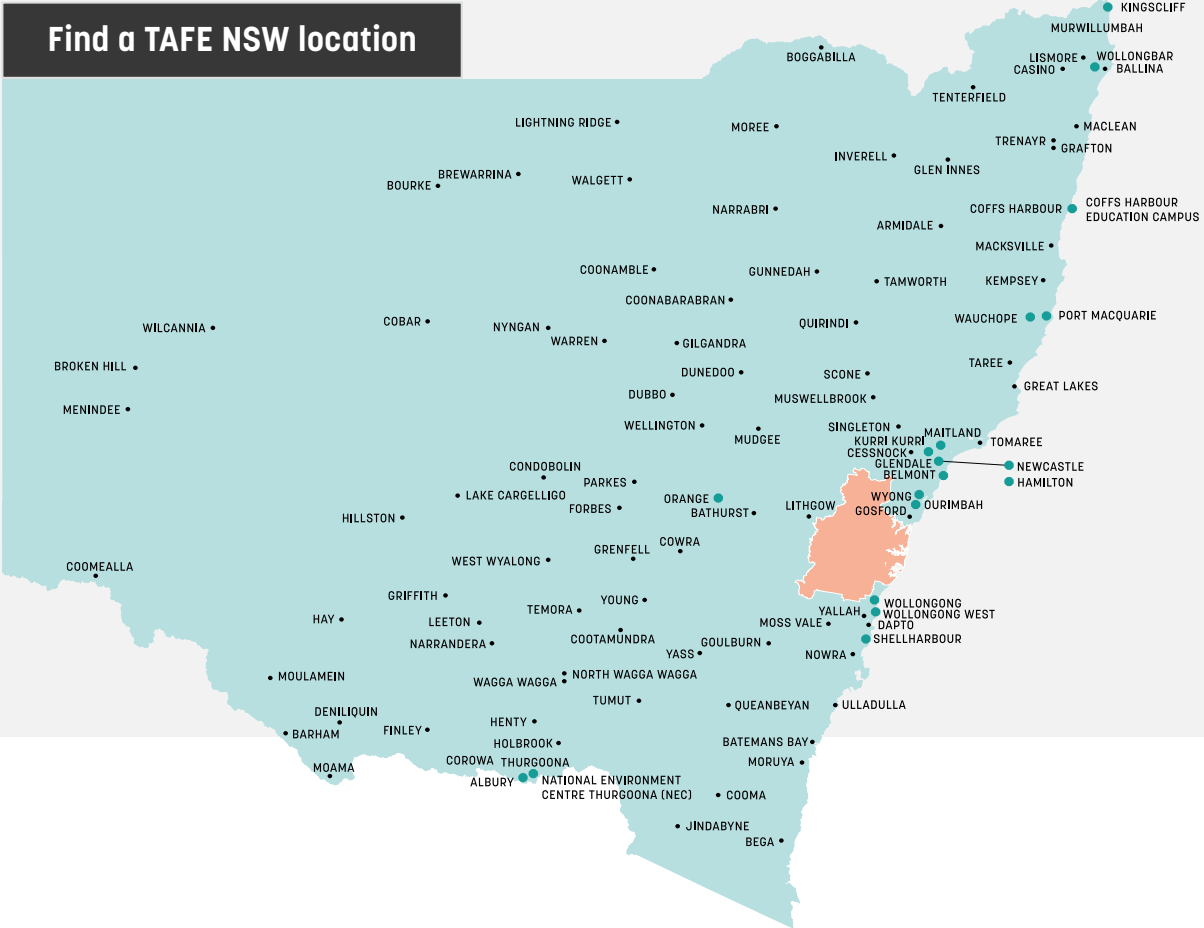
Career Pathways, Employability Skills, Further Study

Career Pathways and Employability Skills
HSC and Further Study
English Language
Employment Skills, Foundation Skills, Literacy and Numeracy

LOCATIONS

TAFE NSW has 130 locations across the state.

Browse all locations at [tafensw.edu.au/locations](https://www.tafensw.edu.au/locations) or click on 'Find a TAFE NSW location' button below.



LOCAL WORLD-CLASS, DIGITALLY ENABLED CAMPUS

TAFE NSW's Connected Learning Centres (CLCs) provide students and employers across regional NSW, with greater choice and better access to world-class, learning opportunities.

Check out www.tafensw.edu.au/clc today.



POP-UP TRAINING PODS

TAFE NSW has developed Mobile Training Units using Portable Onsite Delivery Spaces (PODS) for customised training across the state. Built to provide access to previously unavailable training, TAFE NSW PODS will provide mobile training opportunities where they are needed most.

PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS

A TAFE NSW pathway is a great way to fast track careers, and to:

- get ready for work or study
- build new skills and knowledge
- pursue a specific career outcome.



GIVE THEM A HEAD START ON THEIR CAREER WITH JOB READY, PRACTICAL SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE.

TAFE NSW can help your child to be job ready when they leave school. They can earn credit towards an industry recognised qualification as part of their secondary studies, and courses - including School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships (SBAT) - may contribute towards their Higher School Certificate (HSC) and their Australian Tertiary Admission Ranking (ATAR).

TAFE-DELIVERED VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING (TVET)

- Get a head start on their career by completing a TAFE NSW course while still at school.
- TVET courses are available to students in year 11 and 12 (stage 6) as well as students in Year 9 and 10 (Stage 5).
- Stage 6 TVET courses count towards their HSC, with some contributing towards the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).

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CHECK OUT TVET IN ACTION ▲
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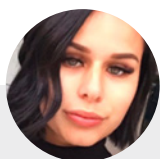
SCHOOL BASED APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS (SBAT)

- Combine paid work and TAFE NSW training, with school and a School Based Apprenticeship (SBA) or School Based Traineeship (SBT).
- It is a great opportunity to gain a nationally recognised VET qualification, as well as your HSC.
- Gain valuable workplace skills and experience through part time paid employment.

GET HELP CHOOSING THE RIGHT STUDY OPTION FOR YOUR CHILD

Whether they're looking for hands-on, structured training or the ability to learn at their own pace in their own space, TAFE NSW is here to help you and your child choose the right study option. We know every student has unique needs. That's why we help combine different learning models and tailor the delivery to suit their needs.

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ELLECE GUERREIRO - ON THE FAST TRACK TO SUCCESS

Elleyce has completed both her Certificate of Registration and Certificate III in Property Services, at TAFE NSW. She aims to become a licensed real estate agent and auctioneer by 2021. Oh, yeah... Elleyce is only 17. **Discover how Elleyce gets paid while she studies.**



They say that seventy percent of students are leaving school to study at university. For me, this is a long and expensive road, and may not necessarily lead to employment.

I had a passion for real estate and knew I didn't want to spend my time learning things I didn't need to. I just wanted to get into it.

Elleyce Guerreiro

Winner of the Southern and South Western Sydney Regional Training Awards School Based Apprentice/Trainee of the Year (Training Services NSW) - June 2020

DO YOUR HSC DIFFERENTLY

There's more than one way to study the HSC. If studying in a traditional high school setting is not for your child, there are alternative pathways to take to ensure that they achieve the best possible results they can.



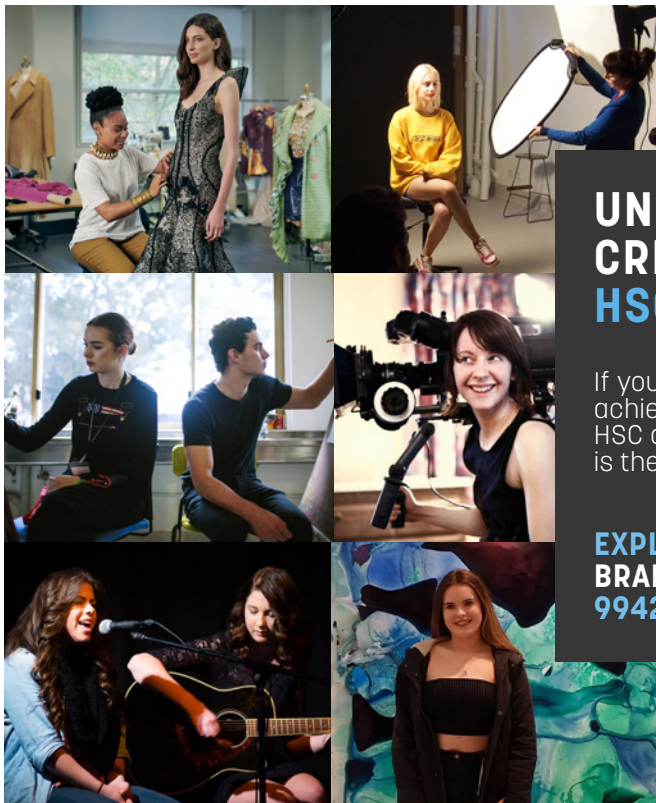
TERTIARY PREPARATION. LEARN NEW SKILLS, EXPLORE YOUR TALENT, ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS.

Take an alternative pathway to higher education, by studying the Certificate IV in Tertiary Preparation (10767NAT).

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UNLEASH YOUR CREATIVITY. STUDY YOUR HSC AT BRADFIELD.

If you would like to specialise in a creative field, achieve more than one major work, or study your HSC over a few years, then Bradfield Senior College is the ideal place to study in 2021.

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FORGING PATHS

Pathways depend on skills, experience, study preferences, and career goals. Explore the most popular entry points and get ideas for your child's future.

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Study at TAFE NSW, while at school

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- Earn credit towards an industry recognised qualification as part of secondary studies
- Courses, including School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships (SBAT), may contribute towards their HSC and ATAR
- Your child can contact a career advisor about available options.



Apprenticeships and traineeships

tafensw.edu.au/study/types-courses/apprenticeships-traineeships

- Earn while learning
- Combine on-the-job training with structured study and skills development, while working towards a nationally recognised qualification
- Full time, part time, or SBAT.



Short courses

tafensw.edu.au/short-courses

- Choose from hundreds of short courses across a wide range of industries
- Courses can be completed over weeks or even days
- Learn skills to enhance a current role, or gain confidence to take the next step.



TAFE NSW Degrees

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- REAL WORLD EXPERIENCE - enhance employability through our internships and work placements
- BUILD CONNECTIONS - get a head start with our strong industry ties and job placement opportunities
- SMALL CLASSES - benefit from individual attention and group support
- NO ATAR REQUIRED - admissions requirements are different for each course as a skills-focused approach is used.



Pathways to Higher Education

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- TAFE NSW partners with many leading Australian universities to provide pathways for students from some certificate courses, as well as diploma or advanced diploma, into a degree
- Students may be able to receive credit for their TAFE NSW study.

TAFE Digital

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- Online training in more than 200 courses, many of which utilise virtual reality (VR), augmented reality (AR), mixed reality, and simulation exercises, plus other modern technologies
- Enjoy easy access to our extensive learning resources, as well as real time interactions with dedicated, industry experienced teachers and your classmates.



STUDY OPTIONS BEYOND THE SCHOOL ROOM

Whether your child is still at school or about to complete their HSC, TAFE NSW offers options for them to get a head start on a rewarding career. Combine school with TAFE NSW training, entire full time VET study, or choose from a range of other opportunities. When it comes to getting the skills to succeed, TAFE NSW is option Number 1.

Year 10 students

New South Wales requires your child to complete school up to Year 10 and then to continue in either:

- education
- paid employment
- training
- or a combination of these until they reach the age of 17.

If your child decides to leave school before the age of 17, school and parental consent must be given.

Full time VET qualifications

If your child has completed Year 10, they're eligible to study a nationally recognised Vocational Education and Training (VET) course full time at TAFE NSW. We offer hundreds of courses to choose from, many requiring little or no previous experience.

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I get phone calls on a regular basis from employers actually asking for students. They're looking for tafe nsw students because they understand that those students are ready and have the skills to start working and applying what they've learned immediately.

Diana Burgaricic
Head Teacher, Accounting and Finance, TAFE NSW

Year 12 students

If your child has completed, or is about to complete, their Higher School Certificate (HSC) then TAFE NSW can offer them:

- **Full time and part time courses**, within a huge range of career areas, to give them the workplace skills and qualifications employers are looking for.
- **Apprenticeships and traineeships**, which combine formal studies with work and on-the-job training. They can earn from day one, be in huge demand, and incur less debt. Employability, earnings, and skills relevance are on par with university outcomes. Eligibility criteria applies. Check the website or enquire for more information.
- Pre-apprenticeship **short courses** that can give them the skills they need to help them enter the workforce.
- TAFE NSW offers a range of practical diplomas and **degrees** that are taught by industry experts, in progressive and dynamic learning environments. Your child will have access to industry standard equipment and facilities, while also making valuable workforce connections.



BE DEGREE QUALIFIED WITH JOB READY SKILLS. NO ATAR REQUIRED.

A TAFE NSW degree will teach the real world skills that employers are looking for. Taught by industry professionals in state-of-the-art facilities, our degrees are in industry sectors as diverse as ICT, Community Services, Fashion Design, Commerce, and Early Childhood Education and Care. With a TAFE NSW degree, your child will be job ready and in demand upon graduation. Don't just learn the 'what' - experience the 'how' with a TAFE NSW degree.

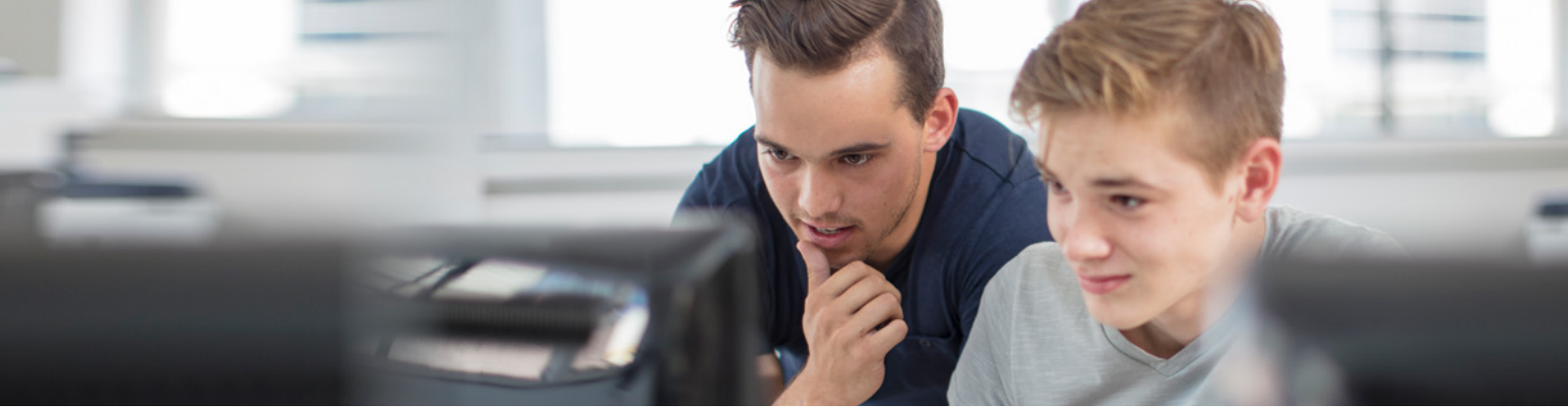


TAFE NSW DEGREES
A PARENT'S PERSPECTIVE

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STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

For more details visit tafensw.edu.au/support

Aboriginal student support services

tafensw.edu.au/student-services/aboriginal-students

TAFE NSW provides our students with a range of Aboriginal support staff to assist with everything from enrolment to course selection. We can also give advice on applying for fee exemptions and scholarships, as well as provide mentoring to support the students throughout their TAFE NSW journey.

Disability services

tafensw.edu.au/student-services/disability-services

TAFE NSW disabilities services ensure that students with a disability have access, support and equal opportunities while studying. The Disability Teacher Consultants will assist in providing reasonable adjustment based on individual needs and the course in which your child is enrolled. Disability Teacher Consultants can also help with assistive and adaptive technology needs.

Counselling and career development services

tafensw.edu.au/counselling-career-development-services

The TAFE NSW counselling and career development service is free and is designed to help your child succeed in their studies, as well as in their chosen career. Prospective TAFE NSW students are able to access the service to assist with course choice decisions and career planning.

Students enrolled with TAFE NSW, are able to access a range of services to assist in career development and personal support.

Learning support

tafensw.edu.au/student-services/study-support

TAFE NSW provides valuable learner support at our 'drop-in' or flexible learning centres, in small groups or one-on-one session. Call 131 601 to find out what study support services are available at each TAFE NSW location.

International students

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Coordinators can offer advice, support, and referral services to assist during studies. They can help to achieve education goals and make a student's time in Australia rewarding and enjoyable.

[Download our International Guide today.](#)

Scholarships

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TAFE NSW works with government, non-government and industry partners, to develop and deliver scholarships for students who are experiencing financial, social, or other barriers to study.



BE DEADLY. WITH HANDS-ON, REAL WORLD SKILLS.

Be empowered at TAFE NSW. Join over 35,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and learn the skills needed for the job they want. Explore career pathways and study full time, part time, or online.

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FIVE TIPS TO HELP YOUR CHILD TRANSITION TO TAFE NSW

It can be daunting for students who are transitioning from school to further study, so here are some tips to help make the transition smooth and stress free.



BE PREPARED

Help your child to develop an exam calendar and then encourage them to plan ahead. Make sure they develop regular revision blocks for each subject.



BREAK IT DOWN

You don't want your child to be overwhelmed, so we suggest encouraging them to break assessments or projects into smaller, more manageable tasks based on importance and urgency.



BRAIN FOOD

Eating healthy, sleeping well, and exercising each day is proven to help improve mood, concentration, and study.



SAVE THE STRESS

A timetable that shows when assignments are due is essential. This will help your child to plan ahead and keep them from rushing their work in order to complete it on time.



HABITS FOR A LIFETIME

Build a daily routine, with time for study, ensuring that revision is free from smartphones and other distractions.



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STUDY ANWHERE.
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STUDENT LIFE

When your child enrolls at TAFE NSW, they become a part of our vibrant student community, and our student associations help bring that community together. The TAFE NSW student associations are non-political and not-for-profit organisations, dedicated to making campus life better.

The Student Association provides facilities, services, and activities for members at many of our campuses, which can include:

- job placement service
- amenities such as lockers and vending machines
- social and cultural activities and events
- sporting facilities and activities
- photocopying, printing and car parking discounts.



Coming to TAFE NSW was a much better fit for me. I was able to be one-on-one with teachers, giving me a much more intimate learning environment, which really benefited me as a student.

Olivia Groome
Bachelor of Design (Interior Design)



DID YOU KNOW?

Vocational education helps build a range of skills that are transferable across industries, are highly sought by employers, increase overall capability, and are particularly significant for those entering the work force for the first time. These skills, sometimes referred to as employability skills, include digital skills, critical thinking, team work, and self-management. Studies show that the time to transition from study to employment, can be significantly reduced by developing of employability skills.



SHORT COURSES

BE UPSKILLED IN DAYS OR WEEKS.

TAFE NSW has hundreds of short courses across all industries to help students be whatever they want to be. Whether they want to learn First Aid, get certified in the Responsible Service of Alcohol, or test out a potential career, our short courses offer practical skills that give students the confidence and knowledge they need.

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READY TO BE AMBITIOUS?

TAFE NSW offers hundreds of courses, diplomas, and degrees that can be studied at any of our 130 locations around the state or in the comfort of your home.

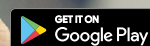
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