

Vocational Education & Training

Certificate II Qualifications

Under the Western Australia Certificate of Education rules, students must complete either four ATAR courses in Year 12 or achieve a Certificate II qualification (or higher). Certificate qualifications at Kent Street Senior High School commence in Year 11 and take two* years to complete.

All Certificate II qualifications are nationally recognised and provide 4 unit equivalents for WACE and up to 22 TAFE entry points. Students may choose up to two certificates.

*Certificate II in Business and Certificate II In Information, Digital Media and Technology can be completed in one year.

AHC21010 Certificate II in Conservation and Land Management

This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of VETiS Consulting Services (VCS)
RTO code: 52499



Certificate II in Conservation and Land Management is a two year qualification that leads to a variety of careers and higher qualifications in conservation and land management.

The certificate has a practical focus- in 2017 the focus is on flora and in 2018 students study fauna and work to rehabilitate Kensington bushland. In addition, students are encouraged to join one of hundreds of volunteer conservation groups and receive additional WACE points.

This certificate requires the completion of three days of work placement including an overnight camp. Work placement days may include exam periods or staff development days. Students unable to attend on those days will have to make their own arrangements to complete the work placement requirements.

Units within Certificate II in Conservation and Land Management include:

- Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices
- Recognise plants
- Plant trees and shrubs
- Determine basic properties of soil and/or growing media
- Undertake propagation activities
- Treat weeds
- Apply animal trapping techniques
- Maintain wildlife habitat refuges
- Recognise fauna
- Observe and report plants and/or animals
- Provide first aid

MEM20413 Certificate II in Engineering Pathways- Trade Training Centre

This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of VETiS Consulting Services (VCS)
RTO code: 52499



Enter a metals trade in fabrication with Certificate II in Engineering Pathways. The Curtin Trade Training Centre at Kent Street Senior High School provides trade quality training and equipment to allow students to achieve a qualification in metals fabrication over two years. Students have the option of applying their skills and knowledge in the workplace during school holidays (this may attract additional WACE credits).

This certificate articulates to a range of post-school options including apprenticeships and further studies in metals fabrication. Competitive entry requirements apply - a pre-entry test must be completed before an offer of a place is made.

Units within Certificate II in Engineering Pathways include:

- Use power tools/hand held operations
- Interact with computing technology
- Use fabrication equipment
- Use electric welding machines
- Use engineering workshop machines
- Undertake a basic engineering project
- Develop a career plan for the engineering and manufacturing industry

This certificate may require students to attend outside normal school hours – typically 1-2 hours per week until 5PM or earlier.

SIT20316 Certificate II in Hospitality

This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of VETiS Consulting Services (VCS)
RTO code: 52499



Whether you want to be a better cook or become a chef, Certificate II in Hospitality will give you the skills to cook up a storm. This two-year certificate develops skills and experience in food and beverage preparation and sales. Students will create food and beverages to sell to staff and students from a simulated café. Students will learn to market and package products, operate a commercial coffee machine and cash register. This certificate articulates to a range of post-school options including apprenticeships and further studies in hospitality. Units within Certificate II in Hospitality include:

- Interact with customers
- Use hygienic practices for food safety
- Prepare simple dishes
- Prepare sandwiches
- Prepare and serve espresso coffee
- Produce appetisers and salads
- Provide first aid – delivered and assessed by The Royal Life Saving Society Western Australia Inc.

RTO code: 0854



This certificate may require students to attend outside normal school hours – typically 1 hour per week before or after normal school hours.

ICT20115 Certificate II in Information, Digital Media and Technology

This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of VETiS Consulting Services (VCS)

RTO code: 52499



This two-year certificate is for students intending to develop their Information Communication and Technology (ICT) skills so that they can be an effective ICT user or employee. The qualification provides foundation general computing and employment skills that enable participation in an information technology environment in any industry. ICT skills and knowledge underpins all Australian industries and is highly regarded in many current and emerging occupations.

Units within Certificate II Information, Digital Media and Technology include:

- Use computer operating systems and hardware
- Operate application software packages
- Operate a digital media technology package
- Use social media tools for collaboration and engagement
- Install and optimise operating system software
- Install software applications
- Apply problem-solving techniques to routine ICT malfunctions
- Administer network peripherals
- Connect and use a home-based local wireless network

Students that achieve this qualification in Year 11 may have the opportunity to enroll in Certificate III Information, Digital Media and Technology in Year 12.

CUA20615 Certificate II in Music Industry

This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of VETiS Consulting Services (VCS)

RTO code: 52499



Certificate courses combine practical skills with industry level training allowing students to move into higher level music training beyond school. Students will develop technical and artistic skills in music using industry level equipment and software.

Units within Certificate II in Music Industry include:

- Develop and apply creative arts industry knowledge
- Play or sing simple musical pieces
- Incorporate music technology into performance
- Develop ensemble skills for playing or singing music
- Play or sing music from simple written notation
- Create and test an interactive CD-ROM/DVD

SIS20213 Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation

This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of VETiS Consulting Services (VCS)

RTO code: 52499



Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation develops skills across a range of outdoor pursuits through a mix of classroom based learning and then application outdoors. As this qualification requires water-based activities a proficiency in swimming is essential.

- Canoeing
- Camping
- Small boat handling and yachting
- Trip preparation and planning
- Safely operate a powered craft
- Respond to boating emergencies and incidents
- Snorkelling
- Maritime rules and regulations
- Surfing
- Additional qualifications embedded with this program:
- Surf Rescue Certificate
- Level 2 Small Boat Sailing
- Recreational Skippers Ticket
- Provide first aid

Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation is an industry-developed qualification that articulates into a range of post-school certificates and careers.

This qualification requires an ability to swim in a range of conditions and participate in overnight camps. It may require students to attend outside normal school hours – typically 1 hour per week before or after normal school hours.

SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport and Recreation - Cricket

This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of North Metropolitan TAFE

RTO code: 52786




Certificate II in Sport and Recreation is for students enrolled in the Specialist Cricket program. The two-year qualification is for students intending to develop skills as part of a recreational or career pathway in cricket or the sport and fitness or sport and recreation industry. The certificate provides four hours of practical and class-based training per week and a comprehensive match and touring cricket program.

Kent Street Senior High School has an extensive network of industry partners and contacts including the WACA - allowing students access to WACA resources and staff in addition to Kent Street's own facilities.

Units within Certificate II in Sport and Recreation (Cricket) include:

- Perform the intermediate skills of cricket
- Perform the intermediate tactics and strategies of cricket
- Respond to emergency situations
- Develop and update sport, fitness and recreation industry knowledge
- Develop and update knowledge of coaching practices
- Coach beginner or novice participants to develop fundamental motor skills
- Assist in preparing and conducting sport and recreation sessions

- Provide first aid– delivered and assessed by The Royal Life Saving Society Western Australia Inc.
RTO code: 0854 

At the completion of this certificate students are guaranteed entry into a full-time qualification at North Metropolitan TAFE- the State’s leading provider of vocational training in sport and recreation. In addition, North Metropolitan TAFE has pathways to University study. Details of tertiary options are available from the TAFE website (www.northmetrotafe.wa.edu.au).



SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport and Recreation

This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of North Metropolitan TAFE

RTO code: 52786

Certificate II in Sport and Recreation is for students seeking to enter a career in sport, fitness, community recreation, aquatics or sports teaching. The two-year qualification will train students to establish and conduct sports sessions with children from Year 7 and above and develop the latest skills in coaching, injury prevention and firstaid.

Units within Certificate II in Sport and Recreation include:

- Respond to emergency situations
- Develop and update sport, fitness and recreation industry knowledge
- Develop and update knowledge of coaching practices
- Coach beginner or novice participants to develop fundamental motor skills
- Assist in preparing and conducting sport and recreation sessions
- Develop and update officiating knowledge
- Officiate games or competitions
- Provide first aid – delivered and assessed by The Royal Life Saving Society Western Australia Inc.
RTO code: 0854 

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CUA20715 Certificate II in Visual Arts



This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of North Metropolitan TAFE

RTO code: 52786

Certificate courses combine practical skills with industry level training allowing you to move into arts training or a career beyond school. This certificate links to the specialist fashion program and is also suitable for students with a general interest and aptitude in art.

Units within Certificate II in Visual Arts include:

- Participate in OHS processes
- Use basic drawing techniques
- Make simple creative work
- Source and use information relevant to own arts practice
- Develop painting skills
- Develop drawing skills
- Apply critical thinking techniques
- Develop printmaking skills
- Store finished creative work

At the completion of this certificate students are guaranteed entry into a full-time qualification at North Metropolitan TAFE- the State's leading provider of vocational training in the Arts. In addition, North Metropolitan TAFE has pathways to University study. Details of tertiary options are available from the TAFE website (www.northmetrotafe.wa.edu.au).

BSB20115 Certificate II in Business



This qualification is delivered over two years under the auspices of Skills Strategies International.

RTO code: 2401

This qualification provides students with generic computing, communication and organisational skills that are relevant to all workplaces. Skills include word processing, spread sheets, electronic presentations, workplace communication and organisation, workplace health and safety, email and sustainability.

This certificate is targeted at students without four ATAR courses in Year 12 that require a certificate to achieve the Western Australian Certificate of Education. The certificate is largely online and self-paced with support from a teacher.

Participants will require their own laptop or tablet device with keyboard that meets Kent Street SHS BYOD specifications. Work must be submitted in MS Office format (through the Department of Education students have access to a free copy of Office 365 for up to 10 devices).

Certificate terms and conditions

Certificates are undertaken under an agreement between Kent Street SHS and various registered training organisations (3rd parties). This means:

- Data will be shared with 3rd parties – enrolment and result information and student/parent contact details
- The student will be a student of both Kent Street SHS and the 3rd party and will therefore need to adhere to the policies of both organisations
- Qualifications are correct as at July 2016 but are subject to change as qualifications are reviewed. Students may commence a qualification, but the qualification may change during the course of the enrolment to reflect the latest version or changed at the request of our partner registered training organisation.

Unique Student Identifier

It is a federal government requirement that all students enrolled in a certificate require a student number called a Unique Student Identifier (USI). The student must make a request for a number online and provide it to the school for forwarding to the registered training organisation Kent Street Senior High School is partnered with.

The USI allows a student's record of training to be recorded on a national training database and should be kept for future use when enrolling in further training or education.

See usi.gov.au for details. USIs should be forwarded to brian.gould@education.wa.edu.au and include the student's name in the subject line.

Certificates and the WACE

Certificates consist of a number of subjects called *units of competency*. To demonstrate competence in each unit of competency students must complete a number of assessments to standard within each unit. The effect of this is that a student must satisfactorily complete every assessment for every unit of competency to achieve the certificate. Unlike courses, a student can attempt an assessment piece a second time and then be deemed competent.

Completed certificate II qualifications contribute to the WACE by converting to C grade equivalents. A certificate II converts to 4 unit equivalents of which 2 units are credited to Year 11 and 2 to Year 12 regardless of the year the certificate was achieved.

No credit is awarded for an incomplete certificate II.

A non-ATAR student that does not achieve a certificate will not meet WACE (graduation) requirements.

Post-school options for students with a certificate

Certificates typically provide 22 TAFE entry points, potential partial credit for an apprenticeship or traineeship and an alternative pathway to university entry.

TAFE Entry

Many TAFE qualifications have competitive entry, meaning students are allocated points (up to 100) based on:

- School results – English and two other courses (up to 42 points)
- Prior work experience (up to 29 points)
- Completion of a certificate II (17.5 - 22 points, higher qualifications up to 29 points)

Therefore students that achieve a certificate at school will be able to combine TAFE entry points from both their school courses and certificate. Students that are, or have been, employed are eligible for additional entry points.

University Entry

All WA universities recognise prior learning, including the achievement of certificates. A Certificate IV is the minimum requirement for alternative entry to Curtin, ECU and Murdoch. For UWA a Diploma is the minimum requirement. Details of university entry via certificates is overleaf.

How a certificate may assist in university entry*

Direct entry from school to university requires an ATAR score that is derived from a student's performance in at least four ATAR courses in Year 12. Some students develop career plans in senior school that require completion of a degree qualification from a university. Students that typically require an alternative pathway to university either did not choose ATAR courses or they are not achieving as expected in ATAR courses and are unlikely to have a sufficient ATAR for direct entry to university.

In either case, one alternative pathway to university is via the completion of a certificate at school then application to TAFE for full-time entry (at the end of Year 11 or 12 or mid-way through Year 12). Upon completion of the TAFE qualification (typically at certificate IV level), the student applies to university via alternative entry.

*Advice should be sought from the University and TAFE prior to application.

Kent Street example:

Sarah loves her sport and would like to be a primary school physical education teacher. She has not done ATAR courses at school but requires a university degree to qualify as a teacher.

Sarah achieves her Certificate II in Sport and Recreation whilst at school. She then applies and gains entry to the combined Certificate IV/Diploma in Sports Development (one year in total at North Metropolitan TAFE). The costs of the Diploma can be deferred through the VET-FEE HELP program.

At the conclusion of her studies she seeks entry to Curtin and her Certificate IV/Diploma is converted by Curtin to an equivalent ATAR of 83 (70 is the minimum for Curtin, ECU and Murdoch University entry). Based on an equivalent ATAR of 83 Sarah is offered a place in the university Bachelor of Education program.

University certificate pathways

ECU

Certificate IV Minimum final school grade of A in General English or equivalent; or successfully completed ATAR English, ATAR Literature, or ATAR EALD

Diploma or Advanced Diploma Advanced standing

Murdoch

Certificate IV Cert IV does not need to align to planned university degree. Excludes direct entry into some competitive degrees.

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Curtin

Certificate IV

- Enables application for some degrees (usually entry level and no pre-requisites)
- English language competence has to be demonstrated – ATAR English scaled score of 50 or sit STAT test via TISC (seek waiver if below age)
- Pre-requisites must be met
- Converts to 70 ATAR

Diploma

- Demonstration of English language competence waived
- Pre-requisites must be met unless qualification aligns to degree then some pre-requisites are waived
- Converts to 83 ATAR

Advanced Diploma Advanced standing – can contribute up to 200 credit point depending on alignment to the degree (12 months credit)

UWA

Diploma or Advanced Diploma Plus must demonstrate English language competence