Certificate III in Agriculture

TAFE NSW Course Number: AHC30116-01V02 (19OTE-001)
National Course Code: AHC30116
Nominal Hours: 640

Course description
Develop the technical skills and knowledge you need to work with livestock, cropping or mixed farming enterprises with the Certificate III in Agriculture.

You’ll learn about safe and environmentally sustainable work practices, as well as other selected skill areas which could include:

- Broadacre cropping
- Chemicals use
- Livestock production
- Machinery operation and maintenance
- Irrigation
- Agribusiness
- Horticulture
- Pest management

This nationally recognised qualification is suitable for an Australian Apprenticeship and, when you complete it successfully, you’ll be able to seek employment as a farm or station hand. You can also continue onto the Certificate IV in Agriculture.

This course offers a full range of flexible delivery options and allows for Australian Traineeships.

We highly recommend you complete a personalised career and study profile to confirm this course is right for you, you will find the Career Voyage link below.

Other information
This qualification provides a general vocational outcome in agriculture. The qualification enables individuals to select a livestock production, cropping or livestock context as a job focus or, in the case of mixed farming enterprises, both cropping and livestock.

For TAFE Digital we offer two options for this course. For students in NSW with proximity to Sydney we have a practical version that include units on Operate Tractors, Operate Machinery & Operate Quad Bikes. These will be run at practical sessions held at Richmond TAFE campus at different times throughout year TBC.
For remote and interstate students we offer alternative units Establish Agricultural Crops, Maintain Agricultural Crops & Coordinate Work Site Activities. Students will be contacted prior to finalising enrolment to confirm which pathway is best suited to needs.

**To ensure you leave us with the most up to date qualification...**

If during or after your enrolment, the course in which you are enrolled is updated in line with national industry standards, the Institute reserves the right to transition you into an alternate course. If this becomes necessary, the Institute will advise you of the change and the arrangements which will be available for you to complete your alternate course.

**What are the entry requirements? (including Recognition of Prior Learning)**

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

Credit (or recognition) for modules/units may be granted based on previous learning, studies, work and/or life experiences. For more information on Credit visit the [Credit Pathways](https://www.tafensw.edu.au/digital/getting-started/credit-pathways) page on TAFE Digital website.

**Please note:** Some industries have their own legislative or licensing requirements. TAFE NSW recognition does not apply to these.

**Under 17 and wanting to leave school?**

If you are under 17 and want to leave school, your options have been affected by a recent change in NSW law. From January 2010 you must complete Year 10 and then continue in either full-time education, training, paid employment or a combination of these options until you’re at least 17 years of age. More information about options for school students under 17 is available from our website: [oten.tafensw.edu.au/under17](https://oten.tafensw.edu.au/under17)

**What kind of work could I do?**

Farm or station hand, farm or station worker, livestock transport driver
Jackaroo/Jillaroo
Senior Farmhand
Senior Farmhand (Livestock)
Senior Farmhand (Sheep and Wool)

**Pathway to university or higher education**

Thinking of studying next year? Not sure if you should go to TAFE or uni? Let us help you decide. At TAFE NSW we offer you the flexibility to fast-forward your career with Pathways.

Choosing to study at TAFE before going on to uni can see you graduating and entering a competitive workforce sooner — and not with one, but two, nationally recognised qualifications! For more information visit [oten.tafensw.edu.au/uni](https://oten.tafensw.edu.au/uni)
What units will I study?

357-N5555A – Use of Animals in Learning
AHCABC0302 – Establish pastures and crops for livestock production
AHCCHM303 – Prepare and apply chemicals
AHCCHM304 – Transport and store chemicals
AHCINF303 – Plan and construct conventional fencing
AHCLSK205 – Handle livestock using basic techniques
AHCLSK309 – Implement animal health control programs
AHCLSK311 – Implement feeding plans for livestock
AHCMOM202 – Operate tractors
AHCMOM212 – Operate quad bikes
AHCMOM304 – Operate machinery and equipment
AHCPCM301 – Implement a plant nutrition program
AHCPMG301 – Control weeds
AHCSOL202 – Assist with soil or growing media sampling and testing
AHCWHS301 – Contribute to work health and safety processes
AHCWRK302 – Monitor weather conditions
AHCWRK309 – Apply environmentally sustainable work practices

The above list includes units being offered by TAFE Digital. If licensing in another state other than NSW is required, please check requirements with the relevant state.

How much is the course?

Smart and Skilled Student Fees

The cost of this course will vary based on your eligibility for a Smart and Skilled Student Fee. Eligibility criteria can be found on the Smart and Skilled website or you can call us on 131 241 for further information and advice.

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Trainees: From 2016 if you are starting a traineeship that is on the NSW Skills List, your Smart and Skilled fee for the whole qualification will not be more than $1,000.

This training is subsidised by the NSW government under Smart and Skilled. The student fee you will need to pay, will be determined according to your personal circumstances and eligibility for a subsidised place, you may also be eligible for a concession fee, fee exemption or fee free scholarship. Payment by instalments is available.

You may continue with an enrolment into this course if you are not eligible for subsidised training, however the full training fee will be applicable. There are conditions to enrolment if you are a Temporary Visa Holder. To discuss your visa...
status and eligibility to enrol please phone 131 241.

For further information on fees and charges please see
https://www.tafensw.edu.au/get-started-at-pace-nsw/fees-information

Please ensure you also read and understand the associated fee policies and conditions related to withdrawal from a course, applying for a refund of fees, applying for a deferral to your studies and if you are behind in payment of instalments.

When enrolling under a Smart and Skilled entitlement and where you are eligible for 100% credit from previous studies, your student fee contribution will be zero. However, you will be required to pay an administration fee for the production of your testamur.

For full details on TAFE NSW fees and money matters please visit our website: oten.tafensw.edu.au/fees

I would like to talk to someone before I apply

Please contact TAFE Digital Customer Service on 131 601.

We are committed to enhancing all students' prospects to reach their potential and achieve a positive future. We recognise that for some students additional support services are fundamental to ensure success. We have the following expert support services available which you may access by calling (02) 9715 8446 or 1300 655 993 to make an appointment: Counselling and Career Development, Disability, Aboriginal, Multicultural, Outreach, Adult Basic Education and Open Learning Centre Support Services.

Need help deciding?

Our free online career and study planning tool can help.

You will receive a personalised career and study profile based on your responses. If you would like to discuss your results in person, please contact our Counselling and Career Development Unit by calling 1300 655 993 or 02 9715 8446. To get started click the link below:

Unique Student Identifier (USI)

From 1 January 2015, all students participating in Nationally Recognised Training in Australia will need to have a Unique Student Identifier, or USI.

This includes students completing an apprenticeship, skill set, certificate or diploma course.

A USI gives you access to your online USI account and will contain all of your nationally recognised training records and results from 1 January 2015 onwards. Your results will be available in your USI account in 2016.
When applying for a job or enrolling in further study, you will often need to provide your training records and results. One of the main benefits of the USI is that you will have easy access to your training records and results throughout your life.

**How to get a USI**

It is free and easy for you to create your own USI online at [usi.gov.au](http://usi.gov.au). Your local Customer Service office can also provide further information and assistance. If you already have your USI you can enrol with TAFE NSW.

**How do I apply?**

To apply for this course please click on the Apply Now button. You may also apply over the phone by calling TAFE Digital on 131 601. You may be required to supply additional information by e-mail. Please contact the teaching section on oten.agriculture@tafensw.edu.au for further information.

Apply now (click below)

Current as at 10/5/2019