



SKILLS AND THRILLS STUDENT HANDOUT

WHERE TO GO FOR FURTHER INFORMATION



Skills NSW website on how to get an apprenticeship, training, options, support, rights and responsibilities and much more:

<http://education.nsw.gov.au/skillsnsw/apprentices-and-trainees>

- Connecting apprentices and trainees to the right employers:

www.1300apprentice.com.au

- The Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Services:

www.aapathways.com.au

- Information on NSW Industry sectors:

www.business.nsw.gov.au/industry-sectors/industry-opportunities

- Information on school-based apprenticeships and traineeships (SBATs):

www.education.nsw.gov.au/publicschools/career-and-study-pathways/school-based-apprenticeships-and-traineeship

- Careers NSW:

Offers expert guidance on pathways to employment after school - including education and training options and ways to use your existing skills to your advantage. Make an appointment today.

<https://careers.nsw.gov.au/find-your-career>.

- SkillsOne television: Hundreds of videos about skills and training:

www.skillsone.com.au

- National Skills Commission:

Through their research, surveys, modelling and forecasting, the NSC provides unique insights relating to Australia skills capability, emerging occupations, labour market trends and more.

<http://www.nationalskillscommission.gov.au/insights>

- NSW JobTrainer: Provides fee-free training courses for young people, job seekers and school leavers to gain skills in Australia's growing industries:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/vocational/vet-programs/jobtrainer>

- TAFE NSW- All your vocational training needs in one place:

www.tafensw.edu.au

- Everything you need to know about Vocational Education and Training (VET) in NSW including the latest in VET news and stories:

www.education.nsw.gov.au/skills-nsw

- Celebrating the best in vocational training at a region, national and international level:

www.worldskills.org.au

- My Skills: Official national directory for VET:

www.myskills.gov.au



VET AS A FIRST CHOICE!

- Nil entry requirements and in some instances study can commence whilst at school.
- Students commence earning while gaining an apprenticeship or traineeship.
- National skills shortage in hundreds of different trade areas.

Essentially, this means industries and employers are actively looking for carpenters, electricians, mechanics, cooks and hairdressers amongst other roles.

- Broad range of industry sectors covered.
- The difference comes into play when you consider debt left by studying (i.e. while a average apprentice will earn an average of \$220,000 over the course of their four-year apprenticeship, a university graduate will be left with an average \$23 860 debt. When it's all over, the apprentice is about \$200,000 ahead of the uni graduate.
- On-the-job experience is valued highly by employers.
- VET teaches workforce etiquette, skills relevant to the industry and provides a Nationally Recognised qualification, all within a manageable 12– 48 month period.
- Studying through VET, you can be confident that you'll be gaining up-to-date skills, making great connections, and unlocking new career pathways.
- You will finish a VET course with the skills needed to work in your chosen industry straight away.
- VET also provides an avenue for articulation into higher education, with students being able to use their VET study to gain entry into university. It should be noted that, conversely, some university graduates go on to undertake further VET study too
- New careers and challenges in emerging industry areas such as Renewable energy, agriculture, health, games, industry 4.0 advanced manufacturing. These skills and careers are all available through VET.

