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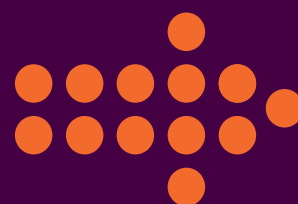
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Please refer to www.gotafe.vic.edu.au for current course information.



Our Commitment

Quality Education

Provide quality, learner-centred education to help students reach their full potential.

Student Experience

Put student experience at the centre of everything we do.

Drive Growth

Work with local industry and community partners to drive growth.

GOTAFE is committed to providing a safe and inclusive environment, free from discrimination. We embrace our Social Justice Charter, which articulates how we ensure equality and inclusivity for all. We acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as Australia's First Peoples and as Traditional Owners and Custodians of this Land. We celebrate diversity and value the lived experience of people of every ethnicity, faith, age, disability, culture, language, gender identity, sex and sexual orientation.



About GOTAFE

At GOTAFE we strive to be more than an education facility. We provide a sense of community and foster a safe, supportive space for students to grow, support each other and be challenged. As the first TAFE to commit to a Social Justice Charter, GOTAFE is dedicated to equality, encouraging diversity, and providing high-quality education to all people.

As the largest vocational education provider in regional Victoria, GOTAFE is a leader in practical education and training. Our learning environment is aimed at supporting you on your pathway to success. GOTAFE offers over 130 courses across eight campus locations.

We are leaders in providing quality education, industry focused facilities and a student-centric experience – we create opportunities to achieve. GOTAFE graduates enter the workforce strengthened by skills that meet the needs of the region and on a journey of lifelong learning and personal development.

Core Values



Integrity

Be honest, reliable and trustworthy



Collaboration

Partner with others to achieve goals



Accountability

Take responsibility for your actions



Respect

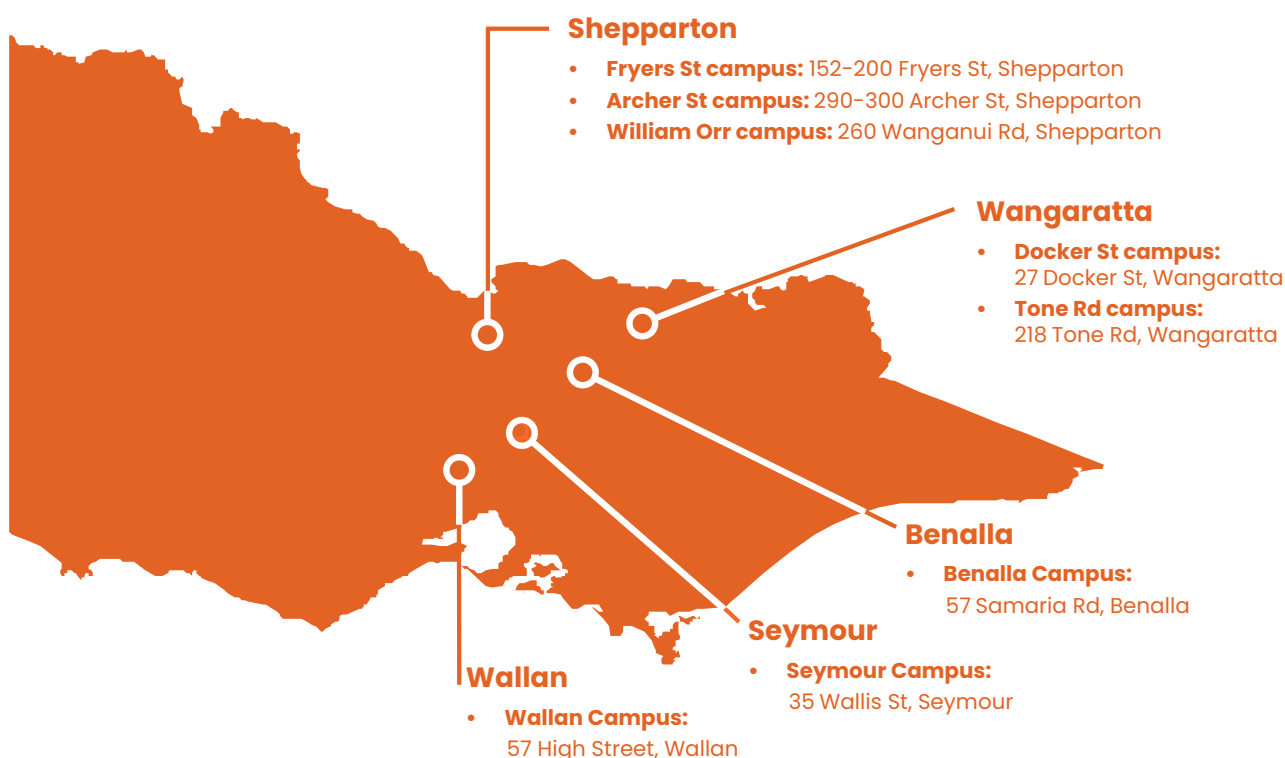
Appreciate and accept each other's differences



Excellence

Aim high

Campuses



Find the right qualification for you

Whether you've recently finished school, are currently working, or are returning to study after a long break, we have a study option to suit your needs.

We offer a range of nationally recognised qualifications at all levels—so whether you're just starting out in your studies, or looking to transition to a university degree, we have the resources to support you every step of the way.

Certificates

Certificate level courses are available from Certificate I to Certificate IV. They generally run for six months to 2 years full-time, or can be undertaken part-time, and some are completed as apprenticeships or traineeships.

You'll study through a combination of on-campus, on-line and practical work skills to prepare you for the workforce.

Diplomas & Advanced Diplomas

Diplomas and Advanced Diplomas are designed to prepare you for a career in your chosen field, and often act as a stepping stone to further study at a university level.

Diplomas generally run from one to two-and-a-half years, and many students undertake their Diploma while working.

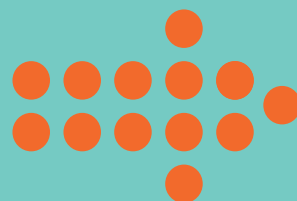
Degrees

We have partnerships with some of Victoria's largest universities, including La Trobe University and Charles Sturt University. These partnerships give you the opportunity to pathway from a GOTAFE qualification to a university degree in a number of disciplines, including Health, Community Services, Business, and Veterinary Nursing/Technology.

You can also earn credit towards your degree from studies in some of our Diploma and Certificate IV courses, which may reduce the overall time required to finish your degree.



Scan QR code to find out more about our Pathways to University.



GOTAFE offers a range of courses for students aged between 15–18 years to help you realise your potential and set you on the path to success. Best of all, you don't need an ATAR to kick-start your training at TAFE.

VET Delivered to Secondary Students (VETDSS)

If you're a secondary school student looking to get a head-start in your future career, the VET Delivered to Secondary Students (VETDSS) program is for you. VETDSS allows students in years 10, 11 or 12 VCE or VCAL, to study a nationally recognised TAFE qualification as part of their senior secondary schooling.

Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL)

VCAL is a hands-on, practical alternative qualification to VCE (Year 11 and 12). As a VCAL student you will study industry related strands that interest you, while strengthening your literacy and numeracy skills to help you succeed in the workforce. VCAL is self-directed and allows you to combine study with part-time work, so you can apply new skills as you learn them.

School-Based Apprenticeship

School-based apprenticeships and traineeships allow secondary school students to start an apprenticeship or traineeship while still at school. As part of a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship you will spend a minimum of one day a week on the job, plus a portion of the school holidays. You will also be required to complete the GOTAFE component of training plus your other VCE or VCAL subjects.

Still in School?



"GOTAFE offers a variety of VET courses for a Year 11 student to pick from and it is local. I had great dealings with the VETDSS staff who were very friendly and extremely helpful. My daughter wanted to change courses and the staff made the transition to the preferred course so easy. I now have a daughter doing the course she wants to do and enjoying it.

The VETDSS courses give a student an opportunity to look at a career and then make up their mind on whether they would like to pursue that path or look at other options. The courses are very hands on and involve lots of practical exercises. "

Nadine
Parent of VETDSS student

Apprenticeships & Traineeships





Start your career while you're studying

If you can't wait to get into the workforce, then an Apprenticeship or Traineeship may be right for you. Studying a Pre-apprenticeship, Apprenticeship, or Traineeship gives you the opportunity to start your career while you're training. You'll work for an employer and learn on the job, while also completing additional training at GOTAFE.

What is an Apprenticeship or Traineeship?

An Apprenticeship or Traineeship is a contract between an employer and employee that combines paid on-the-job training and formal study. An Apprenticeship or Traineeship allows you to combine formal training from GOTAFE with on-the-job training from an employer, meaning you can apply new skills as you learn them.

You can complete your training on a full-time or part-time schedule, and you can even begin your Apprenticeship before you finish school. Apprentices learn valuable, nationally recognised skills, and many use their training as a foot-in-the-door to beginning a career in their chosen industry.

Apprenticeships are generally skilled trades, and take a number of years to complete before you're fully qualified to work independently. Traineeships cover a broader range of occupations (such as Business and IT), and are usually completed within one to two years.

Pre-Apprenticeships

A Pre-Apprenticeship course prepares you for the workforce by teaching you the hands-on skills you'll be using day-to-day as an apprentice or trainee.

Pre-Apprenticeships are not mandatory, but they do have a number of benefits:

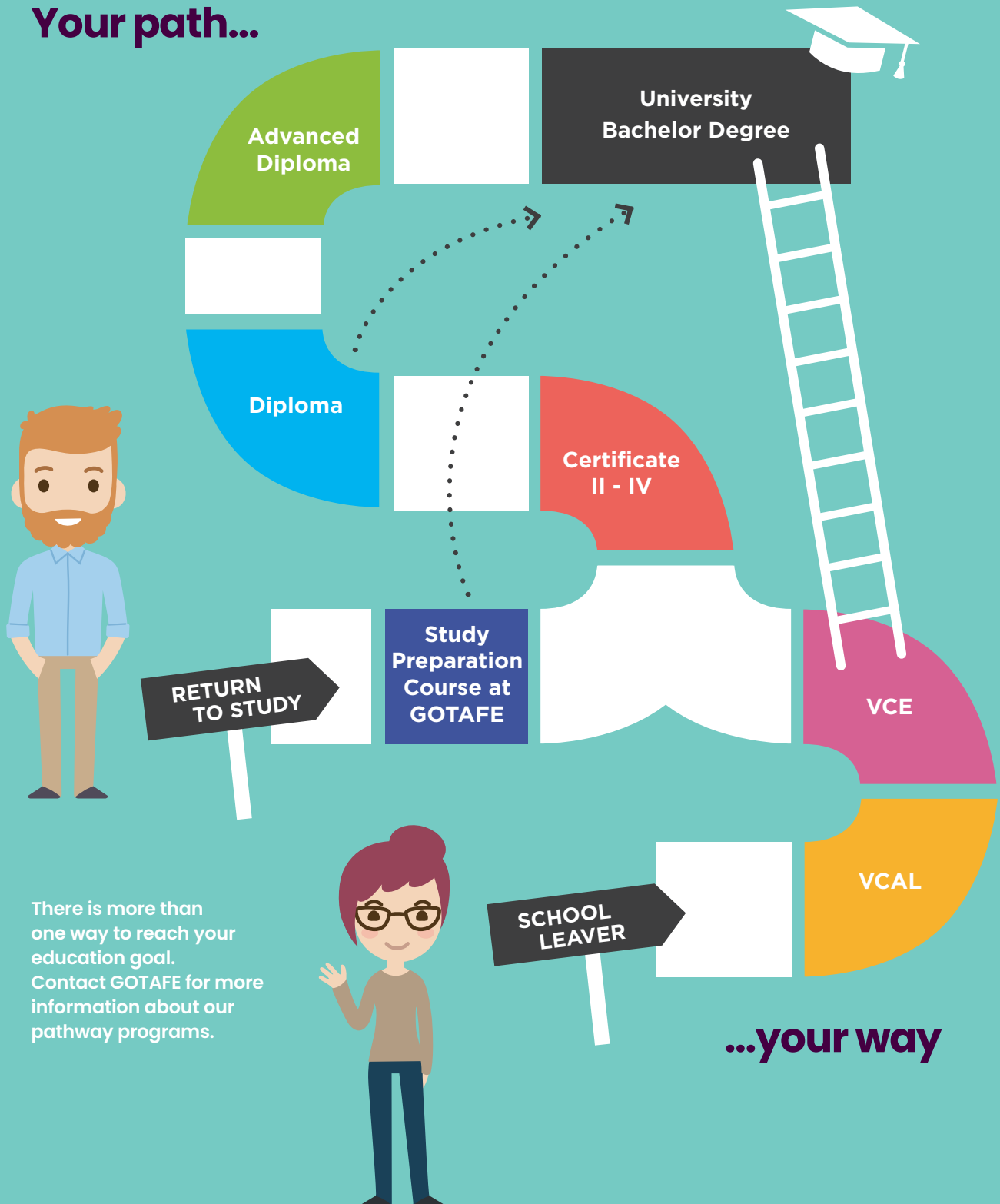
- Learn basic skills to help you succeed in your Apprenticeship;
- Get exposure to your chosen industry before you commit to a full Apprenticeship;
- Show future employers that you're committed and passionate about the industry; and
- In some instances, reduce the length of a formal Apprenticeship.

A Pre-Apprenticeship is tied to a Certificate II in your chosen industry, but unlike a formal Apprenticeship, you don't need to have an employer before you start the course. You can complete a Pre-Apprenticeship at a training provider such as GOTAFE, or as part of your VCE or VCAL studies if you're still at school.



Study Pathways

Your path...



There is more than one way to reach your education goal. Contact GOTAFE for more information about our pathway programs.

...your way



"Transfer your skills, transform your life."

"Get the right advice at a Skills and Job Centre."

"We'll help you find your way."

Skills & Job Centres

Skills & Jobs Centres are a one-stop-shop for anyone looking for career planning advice. These centres are Government-funded, and you don't have to be a GOTAFE student to get advice and support.

Skills & Job Centres work alongside local industry and communities to provide expert advice and assistance on training and employment opportunities, including:

- Identifying training qualifications for a successful career transition
- Assistance in using existing skills to align to a new job or to undertake new training (including advice on Recognition of Prior Learning)
- Deliver focused workshops to build skills, such as resume writing
- Information on local employment trends and areas with skills shortages
- Creating a personal career plan or training pathway
- Referrals to other service providers

The Careers Advisors can assist with skills assessment, share job hunting tips, and provide guidance to anyone looking to up-skill or re-skill through professional training.

Call us or book online to arrange a time to talk to one of our qualified career advisors, or send an enquiry to find out how we can help you reach your career goals.

Scan the QR Code or visit gotafe.vic.edu.au/students/skills-jobs-centres to find out more.





The Mobile Campus

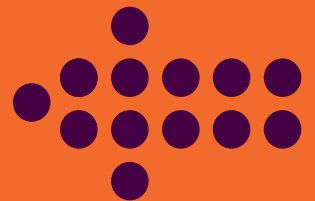
GOTAFE is committed to playing a lead role in supporting, connecting and to responding to local employment and education services, regardless of location, access, and financial challenges. At the heart of this response is a new purpose-built mobile campus.

The Mobile Campus connects with communities across the north and central regions of Victoria that don't have the opportunity to easily engage with training, career and TAFE services.

The Mobile Campus is equipped with a visitor reception area, a private counselling/meeting space, a workshop delivery space and a community computer lab. It will deliver Skills and Jobs centre services, education and training, attend events and connect with local communities.

Visit the website to find out where the mobile campus is heading.

Free TAFE



GOTAFE offers a wide range of Free TAFE courses to help you explore exciting new opportunities.

The Government's Free TAFE for Priority Courses is here to help you stress less while you study and overcome financial barriers that might be stopping you from pursuing the course of your dreams.

The idea is to upskill more people for jobs that are in demand across Victoria. Some of them lead to work in important areas like preventing family violence or delivering major infrastructure projects.

If eligible, your tuition fees will be paid for by the Government. Please note there may be some out-of-pocket expenses incurred from material and service fees.

Free TAFE is available in industries like:

- Construction
- Infrastructure
- Health
- Disability Services
- Community Services
- Agriculture
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Professional Services

JobTrainer

JobTrainer is a joint Commonwealth and State initiative which provides additional funding to increase access to free or low fee training places for young people and job seekers.

If eligible, you can access up to one full qualification and one short course or skill set across a wide range of in-demand industries such as health, construction, agriculture, community services, baking and cookery, financial services, IT and cybersecurity, and beauty services. See the full list of courses on the GOTAFE website.

A few important details

If you're eligible for the JobTrainer initiative, tuition fees for selected courses may be either discounted to 20% of the standard tuition fee or free. Please note there may be some out-of-pocket expenses incurred from material and service fees. Students who have previously used their Free TAFE entitlement may also enrol in a course under JobTrainer, if they meet the eligibility requirements.

Visit the GOTAFE website and take our Careers Quiz to help you find your dream career.

Answer eight short questions about what you like to do and where you like to work, and we'll show you which careers you're most suited to.

Short courses & Skill Sets

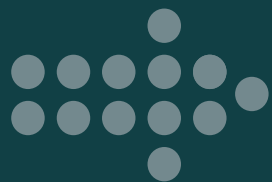
Update your skills – we have a number of short courses and skill sets available for you to learn a new skill or give your qualification a quick refresh.

We run regular short courses and skill sets in a range of specialist areas like agriculture, hospitality, trade and construction, and business, just to name a few. Our short courses and skill sets are constantly being updated and you can find all the latest course information on our website.



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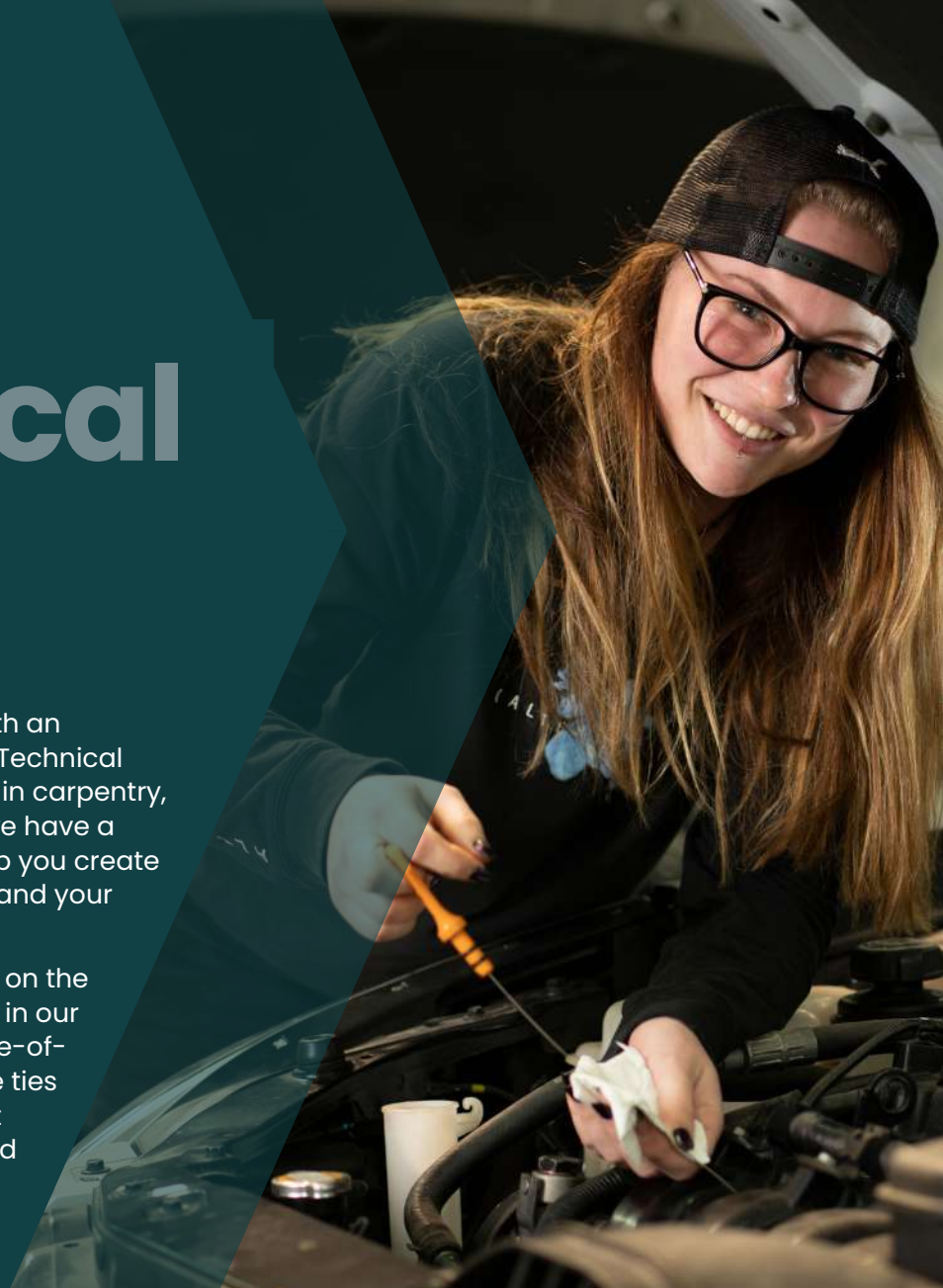




Technical Trades

Get industry-standard training with an apprenticeship or qualification in Technical Trades. Whether you're interested in carpentry, plumbing, or electrotechnology, we have a course for every skill, and we'll help you create a training plan that works for you and your employer.

Learn the practical skills you need on the job site and practice your abilities in our on-campus workshops using state-of-the-art equipment. We have close ties to local industry, and you'll benefit from our network of employers and expert trainers.



Automotive

Bring your passion to work every day and get state-of-the-art training in specialty technologies and vehicle types.

Building & Construction

Work on a range of challenging projects across commercial and residential environments.

Electrotechnology

Join this in-demand trade with a qualification in Electrotechnology.

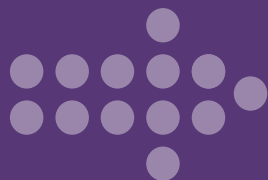
Engineering

Get a recognised qualification in Engineering, and enjoy hands-on, practical work, solving problems and designing solutions.

Plumbing & Gasfitting

Do something different every day with a qualification in Plumbing & Gasfitting from GOTAFE.

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Manufacturing & Work Safety

Whether your mission is to keep your workers safe or keep the public safe with proper food processing practices, our Manufacturing & Work Safety courses will give you the knowledge to succeed in your career.

You'll learn the latest techniques and processes and optimise them for peak efficiency. Whether it's working in a laboratory, or in an office deconstructing workflows, your expertise will make sure both your colleagues and your customers are benefiting from industry-leading safety practices.



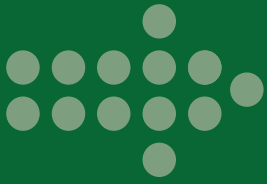
Food Processing

Learn the processes and calculations for specific Food Processing workflows.

Occupational Health & Safety

Choose a rewarding career in Occupational Health & Safety and make your workplace a safe environment for everyone.

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Land & Animals

Whether you're passionate about environmental conservation, love working with animals, or are preparing to take over the family farm, our Land & Animals courses will teach you the skills you need to make a positive contribution in your chosen field.

Learn specialised skills in agriculture or horticulture, contribute to Australia's legacy of award-winning winemakers, or follow your passion into a veterinary science career.



Agriculture

Gain a recognised qualification in Agriculture and progress your career with the latest techniques and technology.

Animal Sciences

Study Animal Sciences and start your career as a groomer or vet nurse.

Equine

Get professional training in all aspects of the equestrian industry.

Horticulture

Learn specialist skills in Horticulture and join one of Australia's growing industries.

Viticulture & Winemaking

Learn viticulture & winemaking from some of Australia's top winemakers and vignerons.

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Hospitality & Baking

Whether you dream of working in a bustling commercial kitchen or managing a busy event calendar, we have a course for you.

Studying Hospitality, Cookery, Events, Tourism or Baking with GOTAFE, you'll combine your natural creative flair with the practical skills and ability you need to shine in your future career.

Train in our campus kitchen and restaurant facilities and put your skills to the test at local industry events like the Dookie Wine Show. You'll graduate knowing the latest techniques and will have the confidence to hit the ground running.



Baking

Learn the tricks of the trade alongside industry professionals in our state-of-the-art bakery facility.

Commercial Cookery

Learn everything from cookery skills to hospitality management, and graduate ready for life in a commercial kitchen.

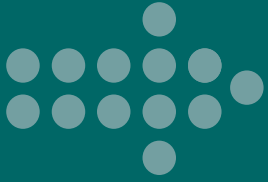
Hospitality

With a qualification in hospitality, you'll be able to work everywhere from boutique cafes to international hotels.

Tourism & Event Management

Train with local traders in some of Victoria's best tourist attractions, from snowfields to wineries.

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Hair & Beauty

Bring your passion to work every day as a Hairdresser, Barber, or Beauty Therapist. Our courses will teach you the practical skills you'll need day-to-day in the workforce, as well as the strong communication skills you'll need to put your clients at ease and help them feel like their best selves. You'll learn the latest products, techniques, and trends, and practice your skills in our campus salons and spas, or on a work placement with local salons.



Beauty & Makeup

You'll learn to apply a range of treatments and services, and practice your skills in our campus salons.

Hairdressing & Barbering

Gain a recognised qualification in Hairdressing or Barbering and practice your skills with real clients.

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Health & Community

Make a difference in someone's life with a career in Community Services, Health, or Sport & Recreation. Be responsible for the health and wellbeing of your community, caring for people during times of illness, promoting healthy lifestyles, or working to improve people's standards of living. Our courses will give you general skills in communication, ethics, and first aid, as well as specialised skills in drug and alcohol treatment, disability support, pathology, healthcare and nursing, and personal training.



Community Services

Working in Community Services, you'll work one-on-one with clients to support their needs in all aspects of life, from education and welfare, to social services and mental health.

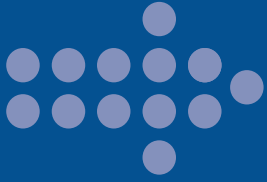
Health & Nursing

From allied health and administration, to nursing, we have a range of courses to help you launch your career as a health professional.

Sport & Recreation

Get paid to do what you love with a career in Sport & Recreation. Inspire others to live active lifestyles, in the gym, at school, or in the great outdoors.

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Education

For many people, teaching is more than just a job—it's a calling. We understand that passionate people make the best educators, and our courses are designed to encourage and strengthen your passion for teaching by building your skill set and giving you tools to succeed in the real world. You'll learn essential communication skills, as well as specialist knowledge in early childhood education, education support, or professional training.



Early Childhood Education

Get certified to work in the Early Childhood Education sector, and you'll play an important role in the community, wherever you choose to work.

Education Support

Find your passion helping children and teenagers learn, with a qualification in Education Support from GOTAFE.

General Education

Whether you left school early, or have been out of study for a while, our General Education courses will give you the skills to get back out there and learn something new.

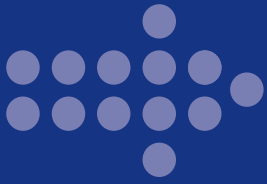
Multicultural Education

If you'd like to improve your written and spoken English, GOTAFE is here to help.

Teaching Training

Enjoy a rewarding career as a Trainer helping people improve their workplace skills and expand their career opportunities.

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Business & IT

Whether you are planning to start your own business, become a valued team player in an organisation or plan to lead and manage a business of your choice, the skills you learn in Business and IT will set you up for life. Learn to work effectively and efficiently and apply innovation and critical thinking to business and IT decisions. Confident and capable, you'll graduate as a mature and skilled professional, ready to make a splash in the workforce.



Accounting & Bookkeeping

Increase your job prospects in the finance industry with a recognised qualification in Accounting and Bookkeeping.

Business Administration

Studying Business Administration gives you skills you can apply in any workplace, anywhere. Give your career a head-start and become a trusted and appreciated employee with essential business skills.

Human Resources & Management

Learn how to lead and manage diverse teams and implement workforce policies that drive business outcomes.

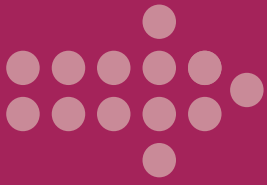
Information Technology

Get hands-on training with industry-standard software and hardware and become a valued member of your workplace.

Project Management

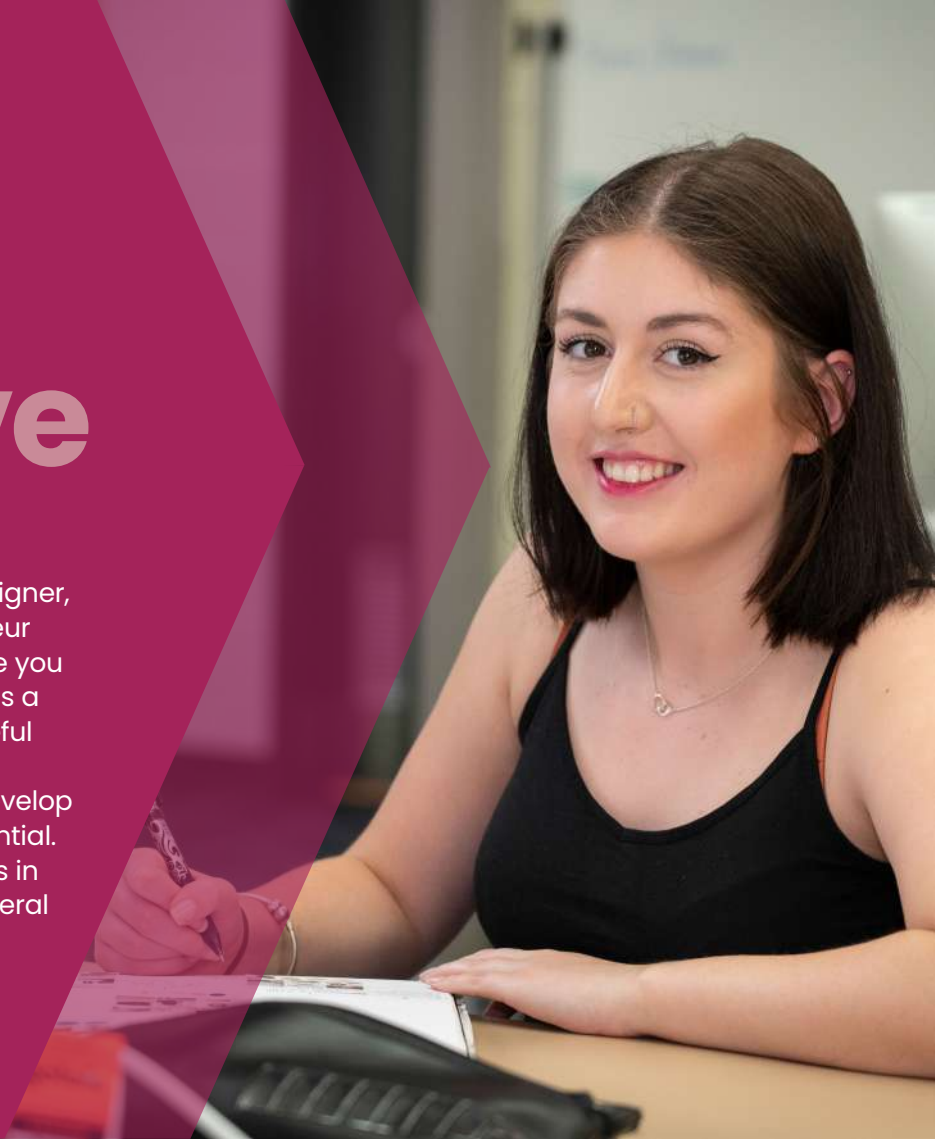
With a recognised qualification in Project Management, you'll have the chance to practice your skills on real-life projects while you're learning, so you'll graduate ready to tackle any challenge.

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Creative

Whether you're a gifted graphic designer, a passionate illustrator, or an amateur photographer, our Trainers will guide you in your studies and help you thrive as a professional creative. You'll gain useful industry connections and hands-on experience, so you can grow and develop as an artist and reach your full potential. You'll graduate with specialised skills in your chosen art form, as well as general small business skills that will help you turn your talent into a career.

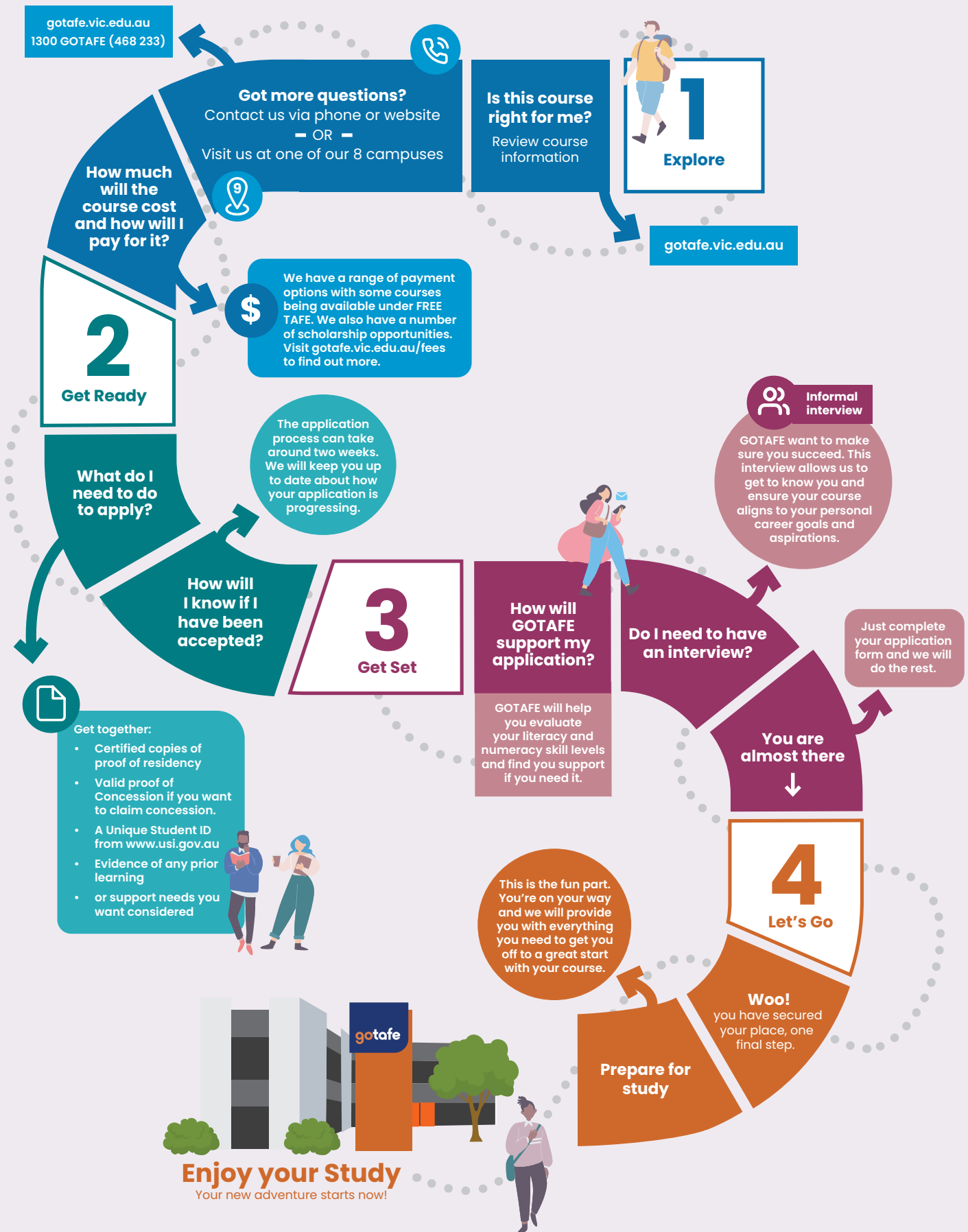


Art & Design

Become a practicing artist or designer and use your talent to delight your clients and the public.

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How to Enrol





Student Support

Undertaking further study is a big commitment, and we know that life doesn't stop just because you've started studying. GOTAFE offers a range of support services to help you balance study with a busy schedule and make sure that, no matter what else is happening in your life, you have all the resources required to stay engaged with your studies.

Learning Support Unit

The Learning Support Unit is a free and confidential service designed to help you build the foundation skills you need to be successful.

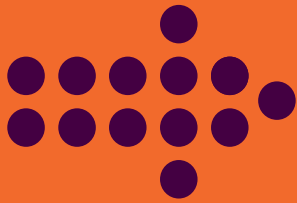
We offer one-on-one tutoring, group tutoring, and classroom-based support, and also have a drop-in centre, so you can get the academic help you need, whenever you need it.

We can help you up-skill in the following:

- Study skills and time management
- Effective reading and note-taking
- Computer skills
- Referencing and research
- Oral presentations and public speaking
- Interpreting assignment questions
- Assignment writing
- English language skills, including spelling and grammar
- Maths
- Exam preparation.

Apprenticeship Support

Apprenticeship Support Officers give guidance to all apprentices aged 15 to 24 in the first year of their apprenticeship. They offer advice on personal and workplace issues.



Student Success Advisors

Transitioning into study can be a big challenge to individuals, families, and sometimes at a community level. When there are other things going on in your life, it can be hard to dedicate enough time to keeping up with your studies. This is where our Student Success Advisors come in.

They will work with you to help you build life skills, set goals for your future, and keep you connected to your community so you have all the support you need to succeed.

Student Success Advisors are qualified support workers who can also help you with issues impacting your studies, such as:

- Finding study difficult
- Family problems
- Health concerns
- Homelessness
- Centrelink issues
- Time management
- Course payment plans
- Issues within the classroom
- Advocacy
- Relationships with others

All your interactions with Student Success Advisors are confidential, except in situations where you or someone else is at significant risk of harm. Student Success Advisors are available at the Shepparton, Wangaratta, Benalla, and Seymour campuses, and can also provide support via phone or email to students studying off-campus or by distance.

To find out how the Student Success Advisors can help you, get in touch at gotafe.vic.edu.au/contact

Counselling

GOTAFE offers free support through its counselling services. You can speak to a counsellor face-to-face on campus, or set up a phone appointment. GOTAFE counsellors are not experts in your life (only you are!), but they can help you explore and open up new possibilities.

Some of the things our counsellors can help you with include:

- Personal or family issues
- Relationship issues
- Grief and loss
- Work-related issues
- Study-related issues
- Time management and goal setting
- Mental health issues, such as depression and anxiety
- Promotion of health and wellbeing
- Drug and alcohol problems
- Any other issues, or general concerns

If our counsellors are unable to help you, they'll refer you to another service.

Support for Students with Disabilities

If you have a disability that needs support to ensure you can fully engage with your learning and in student life, then the Student Success Team is here to help. They can ensure that appropriate strategies for participation and learning are put in place. They can suggest and negotiate appropriate 'reasonable adjustments' that can be made for support so that you can successfully complete your studies.

Other support services that may be offered include:

- Assistance with your course application and enrolment
- Orientation to campus facilities
- Classroom participation assistance
- Tutorial assistance
- Adaptive technology, such as Text to Speech programs, JAWS for the blind, ergonomic chairs and computer accessories, etc.
- Alternative formatting
- Liaison with teachers/coordinators
- Assessment accommodations
- Providing sign interpreters
- Liaising with external agencies
- Access to the TAFE Specialist Employment Partnerships (TSEP)



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