VET FEE-HELP: FAQs for students
Loans for subsidised students (1 July – 31 December 2014)

What is VET FEE-HELP?

VET FEE-HELP is a Commonwealth Government loan scheme that allows eligible students to study now, pay later once they reach a defined income level.

It helps vocational education and training students cover their fees and has been available to eligible students in full fee-paying (fee for service) Diplomas and above.

What are the new changes to VET FEE-HELP?

TAFE NSW is now able to offer VET FEE-HELP to eligible students studying government subsidised Diplomas and Advanced Diplomas. This is in addition to existing programs of loans to full fee-paying students.

The Commonwealth is also running a trial, from 1 July to 31 December 2016, for students studying some selected Certificate IV qualifications. Subsidised students accessing VET FEE-HELP do not have to pay a loan fee.

VET FEE-HELP will be available for students in government subsidised training from 1 July 2014. It’s important to note that subsidised places may be limited and new fees will apply from 2015.

Which qualifications are eligible?

Diplomas and Advanced Diplomas are eligible for VET FEE-HELP.

The selected Certificate IV qualifications, that are on the NSW Skills List and eligible for VET FEE-HELP are:

- CHC40312 | Certificate IV in Disability
- CHC40108 | Certificate IV in Aged Care
- AHC40110 | Certificate IV in Agriculture
- ICA40411 | Certificate IV in Information Technology (Networking)
- SIT40212 | Certificate IV in Travel and Tourism

Am I eligible to apply?

Students need to meet eligibility requirements to access government subsidised training and VET FEE-HELP.

To be eligible for VET FEE-HELP you must:

- be an Australian citizen or a permanent humanitarian visa holder who will be resident in Australia for the duration of study
- provide a tax file number
- not exceed your FEE-HELP loan limit
- provide, or be allocated, a Commonwealth Higher Education Student Support Number (CHESSN) – a unique identifying number provided by the Australian Government.

How do I apply?

TAFE NSW will provide information on how to apply for a loan as part of your online enrolment.

For more information, contact your local TAFE NSW campus or Institute.

www.tafensw.edu.au/courses/fees/vfh-ext.htm