

Fee Free TAFE eligibility criteria

Fee Free TAFE and vocational education is a joint initiative of the Australian and South Australian Governments providing tuition-free training places to students wanting to train, retrain or upskill.

To be eligible for Fee Free TAFE people must at the time the course commences:

- Live or work in South Australia
- Be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, permanent Australian resident or an eligible VISA holder (see below)
- Be aged 16 years or over and not enrolled at school.

School students are not eligible to undertake Skill Set short courses under the subsidised fee rate or for free as these courses are not on the approved Subsidised Training List for Secondary School students

For more information on eligibility please visit the [TAFE SA Website](#)

VISA and Citizenship eligibility for Fee Free Training

Students may be eligible for a fee free training place if they are a holder of an eligible visa. In addition to all permanent residency visa holders, the following visa holders are eligible:

- Skilled – Work Regional (subclass 491)
- Skilled – Regional (Provisional) Visa (subclass 489)
- Skilled Employer Sponsored Regional (subclass 494)
- Business Innovation and Investment (Provisional) Visa, subclass 188
- Bridging Visa A, subclass 010*
- Bridging Visa E (BE), subclass 050 and 051*
- Temporary Protection Visa (TPV), subclass 785*
- Bridging Visa F (BVF), subclass 060*
- Partner Visa (Temporary), subclass 820 and 309
- Temporary Humanitarian Stay visa (subclass 449)

*Individuals on Bridging visas are only eligible where they are waiting on the outcome of an application for a permanent visa or one of the temporary visas listed above.

Visa holders on the following repealed provisional visas are also eligible for Fee Free training:

- Skilled – Regional (Provisional) Visa (subclass 489)
- Skilled – Regional Sponsored Visa (subclass 475)
- Skilled – Regional Sponsored Visa (subclass 487)
- Skilled Independent – Regional (Provisional) Visa (subclass 495)
- Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme (Permanent) Visa (subclass 187)
- Senior Executive (Provisional) Visa (subclass 161)
- Investor (Provisional) Visa (subclass 162)
- State/Territory Sponsored Business Owner (Provisional) Visa, subclass 163
- State/Territory Sponsored Senior Executive (Provisional) Visa, subclass 164
- State/Territory Sponsored Investor (Provisional) Visa, subclass 165