

Agriculture pre-employment course



DESCRIPTION

This training course has been designed to prepare potential employees for living and working on remote cattle stations. Training is based around day-to-day activities carried out on working cattle stations. Students will be involved in fencing, cattle husbandry, horsemanship, mechanical maintenance and vehicle operation.

Students will be enrolled in 9 units from the Nationally Accredited AHC20110 Certificate II in Agriculture qualification. Students will undertake these 9 units at the Katherine Rural Campus and through a 4 week work placement

ELIGIBILITY/ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

This is a physically demanding course and students must be fit, active and able to function effectively in a tropical environment. The industry is seeking people with a strong work ethic, an optimistic approach to life, a desire to continually improve, and who possess integrity and strong moral character.

Students must have basic literacy and numeracy skills to read, write and record basic measurements.

DELIVERY DETAILS

Location (s)	Duration	Study mode
CDU Katherine Rural College / Workplace	10 weeks, full-time residential pre-employment program, incorporating 4 weeks work placement on a cattle station. **Students must be 16 years old to live on campus.	Face-to-face and workplace assessment during work placement.

FEES

Course fees vary depending on whether the course is a full fee course or a course subsidised by the NT Government for eligible students. The Agriculture Pre-Employment course has a total of 320 hours and thus the course cost is \$928 for a NT subsidised courses and \$5,440 for a full fee course. Concessions may apply to CentreLink card holders. Additional fees apply for completion of the remaining 8 units.

For more information on fees, payment options, instalment plans and refunds contact CDU on Phone: 1800 061 963 or refer to: <http://www.cdu.edu.au/cdu-vet/student-guide/fees>

ACCOMMODATION

Air-conditioned accommodation is available which includes all meals and a laundry service twice a week. Contact the team for current pricing.

STUDY AND CAREER PATHWAYS

Following completion of this 10 week course students may seek employment on a cattle station and where agreed to by their employers, enter into a Traineeship or undertake workplace training and assessment towards gaining a full qualification. The units included in this course may contribute towards the AHC20110 Certificate II in Agriculture or AHC21210 Certificate II in Rural Operations.

PROGRAM CONTENT

This training program covers 9 units of competency taken from the AHC10 Training Package which is recognised nationwide.

UNITS

AHCOHS201A	Participate in OHS processes
AHCHBR203A	Provide daily care for horses
AHCINF202A	Install, maintain and repair fencing
AHCLSK205A	Handle livestock using basic techniques
AHCLSK209A	Monitor water supplies
AHCLSK212A	Ride horses to carry out stock work
AHCMOM204A	Undertake operational maintenance of machinery
AHCMOM211A	Operate side by side utility vehicles
AHCMOM212A	Operate quad bikes

WITHDRAWING FROM A COURSE

You may withdraw from this course and receive, where relevant, a Statement of Attainment for all units of competency you have successfully completed.

SUPPORT SERVICES

CDU provides assistance for Language, Literacy and Numeracy, Disability, Library, Professional Counselling in a wide range of personal, career, study issues and Indigenous academic support.

COURSE CONTACT DETAILS

SCHOOL OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

Agriculture and Rural Operations (Katherine):

- T. 1300 00 SKILLS (1300 007 545)
E. agriculture@cdu.edu.au
W. www.cdu.edu.au/cduvet/vetcourses.html

Refer to the **VET Student Guide** <http://www.cdu.edu.au/sites/default/files/mace/docs/VET-student-guide.pdf> for information regarding the enrolment process, student support services, student rights and responsibilities, previous studies recognition including RPL, and the A-Z of other information.