

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 basic fencing, stock water supplies, cattle handling and husbandry, horse handling and care, mechanical maintenance, machinery and ATV vehicle operation.

Students will be enrolled in units from the Nationally Accredited AHC Training Package. Students will undertake these 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.

2019 FEES

This course is subsidised by the NT Government. The NT subsidy applies to eligible domestic students living in the NT and is **subject to available places**. The **full fee** will apply when funded places have been filled and for students that are ineligible for the NT Government subsidised rate.

Based on course nominal hours of 405 hours, approximate 2019 course fees will be:

NT Government subsidised place: \$1,296

Full fees: \$6,885

For more information on fees, payment options, instalment plans and refunds contact CDU on 1800 061 963 or refer to 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.

ASSESSMENT

You will be provided with Student Unit Guide which provides details of assessment tasks for individual units.

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

Students can apply for RPL during pre-enrolment or after enrolment. Students are provided with an RPL Self-Assessment before application and followed through with and an initial interview with an assessor.

RESOURCES

Students are issued with Study Guides during training.

STUDY AND CAREER PATHWAYS

Following completion of this course, students may seek employment on a cattle station and where agreed to by their employer, enter into a Traineeship or undertake workplace training and assessment towards gaining a full qualification. The units in this course may contribute towards achieving AHC20116 Certificate II in Agriculture or AHC21216 Certificate II in Rural Operations.

PROGRAM CONTENT

This training program covers 11 units of competency taken from the AHC Training Package which is recognised nationwide.

UNITS

AHCWHS201	Participate in work health and safety processes
AHCWRK204	Work effectively in the industry
ACMEQU205	Apply knowledge of horse behaviour
ACMEQU202	Handle horses safely Pre-requisite unit: ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour
ACMHBR203	Provide daily care for horses Pre-requisite unit: ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour
AHCINF202	Install, maintain and repair fencing
AHCLSK101	Support extensive livestock work
AHCLSK204	Carry out regular livestock observations
AHCLSK209	Monitor livestock water supplies
AHCMOM204	Undertake operational maintenance of machinery
AHCMOM211	Operate side by side utility vehicles

WITHDRAWING FROM A PROGRAM

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

SUPPORT SERVICES

The University supplies support for students in many areas, including: Accommodation, Careers and Employment, Counselling, Disability Service, Equal Opportunity, Discrimination and Harassment advice, Australian Indigenous Student Support Services, Information Technology Services, International Student Support Services, Library Services, and Learner Support Services.

More information is available at - www.cdu.edu.au/study/student-life/student-support

CONTACT DETAILS

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Refer to the **VET Student Guide** www.cdu.edu.au/cdu-vet/student-guide for information regarding the enrolment process, student support services, student rights and responsibilities, previous studies recognition and the A-Z of other information.