

FAQ: FREE TAFE AT GOTAFE

What is Free TAFE?

Free TAFE covers tuition fees for select courses in Victoria, aimed at helping students get skills in industries with job shortages or high demand. Eligible students can enrol in these courses without paying tuition fees.

Are there any extra fees involved?

While tuition fees are covered, students will need to pay the Student Services fee and any Materials fees (if these apply), and may need to pay for uniforms and other equipment required for the course.

Who is eligible for Free TAFE?

If you are an Australian citizen or permanent resident; or a New Zealand citizen, you may be eligible to study a free TAFE course.

Which courses are available under Free TAFE?

A range of courses across industries such as health, construction, hospitality, and community services are available. Check the GOTAFE website for the current list of courses.

Can I do more than one Free TAFE course?

You can access Free TAFE for more than one course if they are in the same Free TAFE pathway, and you have completed your first (or other) Free TAFE course(s).

If you require more advice please contact our team on 1300 GOTAFE (1300 468 233).

A current list of Free TAFE pathways can be found at <https://www.vic.gov.au/free-tafe>

What happens if I don't finish my first Free TAFE course?

You are able to resume that same course and receive the Free TAFE tuition fee waiver for it, but you will not be eligible for a second Free TAFE course until the first one is completed.

When is Free TAFE applied? When have I "used" it?

If you have elected to use your Free TAFE tuition fee waiver for a course, your Free TAFE will be allocated when you start participating in that course, for example, attending class or logging in to goLearn to undertake training modules or assessments.

Can I study Free TAFE online?

Many Free TAFE courses offer flexible options, including online, part-time, or full-time study, depending on the course.

What happens if I'm not eligible for Free TAFE?

If you don't meet the eligibility criteria, you may still enrol in a course but will need to pay the applicable tuition fees.

How do I apply for a Free TAFE course?

You can apply directly through the GOTAFE website or contact GOTAFE 1300 468 233 to find out more about the application process.