

# Course Information

## HLT60512 Advanced Diploma of Naturopathy

Open Access - VET FEE-HELP Eligible 2015 Commencing Students







## Welcome

Have you always had a keen interest in studying Complementary Medicine and are you passionate about people's wellbeing and providing alternative diagnosis and treatment to people's health conditions?

The Advanced Diploma of Naturopathy is an holistic, all-encompassing qualification focusing on Herbal Medicine, Medical Science, Iridology, Bach Flowers and either Homoeopathy or Massage as electives. After completing this qualification, the comprehensive knowledge and utilisation of the practical skills from clinical studies will allow graduates to undertake the role of a primary health care practitioner. This qualification also forms the minimum standard for industry accreditation and health fund registration to allow graduates to move into private practice.

# The Academy of Complementary Health at WEA is the Hunter's premier training organisation in the Complementary and Alternative Health Industry fields.

WEA employs industry-current and quality trainers and assessors who can help guide you on your road to success. Have a read through the information below and see if a career in Naturopathy is the right choice for you!

## Why do I want to do this course?

The Advanced Diploma of Naturopathy is pursued by professionals in a variety of health modalities to improve their specific skills, so a wide range of topics are available. The program covers topics that will increase your **employability** and will be useful in the **workplace**.

## Topics studied are:

- •Foundation Topics covering Complementary Health as a concept, it's history, challenges and successes and research skills
- •Interpersonal skills counselling and communication skills, and practitioner skills
- •Medical science anatomy, physiology, chemistry, biochemistry, pharmacology (allopathic) and pharmacognosy (herbal)

- Herbal Medicine and Nutritional Medicine
- Complementary support including Bach Flower remedies and introductory Homoeopathy
- Symptomatology and diagnostic techniques including medical terminology and physical examination skills

On successful completion of the course you'll receive a full **Qualification**, in recognition of your learning, which you can include in your CV as evidence of your studies, listing the units and results. In addition, you will receive an Academic Transcript, which you can use to apply for practitioner status with your associations and receive health fund cover through that process.

Through completing the course you will also have opened up study pathways, should you decide to pursue further education.



## How will the qualification be conducted?

The course will be conducted over approximately **three** years for full time students, take a look at our website for current intake times and look at our 'schedule of fees' for dates.

You'll complete **twenty-six (26)** units of competency in total. These have been selected from the HLT60512 Advanced Diploma of Naturopathy within the following training package:

• HLT07 Health Training Package (Release 5.1 – current) Note you will **complete the full qualification**.

#### Mode of Delivery

The course can be undertaken as a 'face-to-face' learning program (scheduled at day or night for most units of study), at our Laman Street campus at 100 Laman Street, Newcastle.

Alternatively you can study **some** units of study as an elearning program. It is recommended that only students who feel they are an organised, self-disciplined learner choose to study via e-learning. There are mandatory face-to-face units, including clinical studies.

**Only 20% of your studies overall** can be through e-learning, due to Industry Accreditation requirements.

#### **Work Placement**

WEA runs a fully stocked and supervised student clinic on campus in Newcastle. This will be your primary practice clinic during your studies. Naturopathy students m**ust complete 400 hours in this clinical environment**, as well as **200 hours on placement externally**. This usually starts in your final year of study. You must be available to participate in a 200 hour Work Placement Programme scheduled by WEA that will provide you with access to workplace documents, a Naturopath mentor who will provide guidance and support during your studies, access to workplace systems, procedures and processes. The organisation you are placed with will have the infrastructure to provide you with the appropriate working environment to be able to utilise the practical skills and knowledge required for this qualification, and in order to complete the assessment tasks. The schedule for this work placement will be at the discretion of your host employer and may involve full-time attendance or staggered attendance. Students can pursue own work placement if they wish, however this must be approved by WEA prior to commencing it.

#### **Payment Arrangements**

This course is a VET FEE-HELP eligible course. The fees for this course are available in the 'Schedule of Fees' which is available on our website, or on request from the office.

There are three options for payment:

- Defer all of your tuition fees through the VET FEE-HELP program (this will mean you pay nothing up-front)
- 2. Pay some of your fees up-front and defer the rest through the VET FEE-HELP program
- 3. Pay all of your fees up-front

# Stage ONE: Enrolment

## How to Apply

Below is the step-by-step procedure you need to follow to apply for a place in this course.

Please note we are unable to hold places for students who have not submitted complete paperwork, due to high demand for course positions

## Step 1: Read and Understand

1. **Read and understand** (note reading the following is essential prior to enrolling, you will be asked to confirm and sign to indicate you understand everything within):

- This Course Information Booklet
- The VET FEE-HELP Information for 2015 Booklet available from the Study Assist website (<a href="http://www.studyassist.gov.au">www.studyassist.gov.au</a>)
- The Schedule of Fees available on our website, or on request from the office

## Step 2: Complete the Forms

## 2. Complete the following forms:

Application For Enrolment (you must complete this entirely and attach any requested documents before we can process your enrolment – you can return these through any of the methods on the last page of this booklet)

## Step 3: Complete Online Activities

## 3. Complete your online activities

Shortly after receiving your paperwork, we will send you a link, login and password to our online environment (Engage Online), there you will need to complete the following activity. If you do not feel comfortable completing this task online, you can book an appointment with our office and complete it in person:

<u>Your mandatory LLN assessment</u>: all students must complete this assessment. Even if you feel your LLN skills are great, we still need to check. This helps protect you and ensure that the program you are enrolling into is appropriate for you and you will be successful. This assessment should only take about 20 minutes to complete..

## Step 4: VET FEE-HELP assistance

## 4. Your request for VET FEE-HELP assistance

All students wishing to defer all or part of their fees through VET FEE-HELP must complete this form, which will be sent to you (or you can complete here at the office) after you have sent your paperwork back. You will need your Tax File Number (TFN) and you must have read the VET FEE-HELP information booklet prior to completing this form. You will also need your Student Identification Number which we will send to you with the form.

• <u>If you do not have a Tax File Number</u> you must complete the form above regardless, and additionally must attach a Certificate of Application for a TFN afterwards.

## Step 5: Enrolment Confirmation

## 5. **Receive your enrolment confirmation and get ready to learn!**

Once we have received confirmation that you have completed the above activities and your LLN activity has been assessed, we will send your enrolment confirmation with details about where you need to go to attend your first class.

# Stage TWO: Delivery

## Delivery and Timeline

Academy units of study run on a **trimester** timetable (three 'periods' a year). From the commencement of your first trimester of study, your program will really get started!

Face-to-face classes will be held at various times depending on your unit of study, we can provide you with this information. E-learning units will have start and end dates that align with the corresponding face-to-face class.

## Assessment Requirements

At the start of each Unit of Study, you will receive an outline which will set out the scheduled times, dates and assessment requirements to successfully complete that Unit.

## Orientation

WEA runs orientation weeks which you can attend to learn about studying at WEA, including how to use online platforms, and an introduction to administrative requirements and the staff and personnel at WEA. Contact the office for times for this program.

# **Critical Information**

## It is essential that you read and understand this section

In 2014, the Community Services and Health Industry Skills Council (CS&HISC) and the Industry Associations that govern Complementary Health decided that Naturopaths and other evidence-based practitioners in Complementary Health should study Bachelor Degrees as a minimum qualification. Due to this, the Advanced Diplomas (including this one) will be removed from the training package.

RTO's such as WEA can only enrol students up until the end of **2015**, but can continue teaching out students until the end of **2018**. This means you must complete your qualification prior to the end of 2018 to graduate and successfully commence practice.

Industry Associations have confirmed they will continue to recognise the Advanced Diploma qualification well into the future, possibly indefinitely. It is only new students after 2018 that will be expected to study the Bachelor Degree.

WEA is currently pursuing accreditation as a Higher Education Provider in order to offer the Bachelor Degree. If this accreditation is gained prior to the end of 2018, you will be transitioned into the Bachelor Degree. If you complete your Advanced Diploma prior to our accreditation approval, you can still enrol with us in an 'upgrade' program, which will be offered to upgrade the many, many practitioners currently working who will also need to 'upgrade'. WEA is committed to becoming a Higher Education provider, we simply don't know when as that is at the discretion of the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA).

**In a nutshell...** it is ok to enrol now as long as you understand you **must study as a full time student** to ensure you will definitely graduate by 2018. Your Advanced Diploma qualification **will be recognised** by the Industry Associations and you **will** be eligible to practice with an Advanced Diploma. When WEA receives accreditation for Higher Education, you will be offered a place in that program.

# What Units Will I Study

Following is the list of units you will study as part of the HLT60512 Advanced Diploma of Naturopathy course.

Programme Rules (Commencing students - from May 2015)

Students studying this qualification must complete or receive Recognition for **all** core Units of Study, and all units in **one** elective pathway to be eligible for the award.

Students study approximately four **units of study** at a time to be considered a full time student.

**Unit of Study:** (this is what you enrol into – Units of Study have a 'Pass', 'Credit', 'Distinction', 'High Distinction', or 'Fail' grade)

Method Of Delivery: Remember only 20% of your overall units of study hours can be studied online

Core Units of Study	Methods of Delivery available
Anatomy and Physiology	Face to Face and Online
Advanced Medical Science	Face to Face and Online
Bach Flowers	Face to Face
Botany and Herb Identification	Face to Face
Chemistry and Biochemistry	Face to Face
Clinical Studies (400 hours)	Face to Face
Counselling and Communication	Face to Face
Herbal Medicine 1	Face to Face
Herbal Medicine 2	Face to Face
Herbal Medicine 3	Face to Face
History and Philosophy of Complementary Medicine	Face to Face and Online
Iridology	Face to Face
Manufacturing of Herbal Medicine	Face to Face
Nutrition 1	Face to Face and Online
Nutrition 2	Face to Face and Online
Nutrition 3	Face to Face
Nutrition 4	Face to Face
Pharmaceutical Pharmacology and Drug Awareness	Face to Face and Online
Pharmacognosy and Herbal Pharmacology	Face to Face and Online
Professional Practices	Face to Face
Research Skills and Methodology	Face to Face and Online
Symptomatology and Diagnosis 1: Medical Terms and Procedures	Face to Face
Symptomatology and Diagnosis 2A: Differential Diagnosis	Face to Face and Online
Symptomatology and Diagnosis 2B: Advanced Physical Exam Skills	Face to Face
Elective Units of Study - Pathway A (Massage	Methods of Delivery
Massage A	Face to Face
Massage Clinic A	Face to Face
Massage Clinic A	Face to Face

# What Units Will I Study cont.

Elective Units of Study - Pathway B (Homoeopathy)	Methods of Delivery available
Homoeopathy 1	Face to Face and Online
Homoeopathy 2	Face to Face and Online
Homoeopathy 3	Face to Face

**Unit/s of Competency** (this is the unit from the training package that you will study during the above unit/s of study, you will not receive an outcome for these units until you have completed your clinical component in your final year of study – Units of Competency have a 'Competent' or 'Not Competent' outcome)

BSBFLM303C Contribute to effective workplace relationships CHCORG428A Reflect on and improve own professional practice HLTAP401B Confirm physical health status HLTAP501C Analyse health information HLTCOM404C Communicate effectively with clients HLTCOM406C Make referrals to other health care professionals when appropriate HLTCOM502C Develop professional expertise HLTCOM503D Manage a practice HLTFA311A Apply first aid HLTHIR501C Maintain an effective health work environment HLTIN504D Manage the control of infection HLTWHS300A Contribute to WHS processes HLTHER603D Operate a western herbal medicine dispensary HLTHER608C Provide specialised western herbal medicine treatment HLTNAT601D Provide naturopathic treatment HLTNAT602D Provide western herbal medicine treatment HLTNAT603D Provide naturopathic nutritional treatment HLTNAT605C Plan naturopathic treatment strategy HLTNAT606C Perform naturopathic health assessment HLTNAT607D Manage work within a naturopathic framework HLTNAT608C Apply naturopathic diagnostic framework HLTNAT609D Work within a naturopathic framework HLTNUT601C Apply literature research findings to clinical practice HLTNUT602C Provide specialised nutritional care

#### **Elective Pathway A**

HLTREM406C Provide massage treatment HLTREM407C Plan massage treatment

#### **Elective Pathway B**

HLTHOM612D Work within a homœopathic framework HLTNAT604C Provide acute homœopathic treatment





## Am I Eligible?

To be eligible to participate in the HLT60512 Advanced Diploma of Naturopathy course, you must:

- · Be an Australian Citizen or hold a Permanent Humanitarian Visa
- $\cdot$   $\,$  Be resident in Australia for the duration of each unit of study
- Meet appropriate Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) requirements for a Diploma level course

To be eligible to participate in the VET FEE-HELP program to defer payment of your tuition fees you must:

- Have a Tax File Number (TFN), or attach your 'Certificate of Application for a TFN' to your forms and quote your TFN within 21 days of receiving it.
- Have the sufficient amount remaining in your FEE-HELP limit to cover the cost of your fees.

In order to determine that you're eligible to participate in the course, you will be required to provide evidence of the above criteria and complete LLN testing.

WEA is committed to treating students fairly and equally within the confines of our funding and statutory obligations. For further information see our <u>Fair Treatment and Equal Opportunity Policy</u> in the Terms and Policies section of our website.

## What Are the Tuition Fees?

This training is VET FEE-HELP eligible. The tuition fees for each Unit of Study are available on our Schedule of Fees for this program, which is available at <a href="http://weahunter.edu.au/vetfeehelp">http://weahunter.edu.au/vetfeehelp</a>

WEA does charge for certain services you may wish to access during or after your program. All current incidental fees are available at the end of our <u>Fee, Withdrawal and Refund Policy</u> on our website. Just click 'Terms and Policies' down the bottom right of the site.

## What Resources Will I Need?

You'll need to bring your own basic stationery items to class, such as pens, paper etc.

## Textbooks

Textbooks are additional fees at your expense. WEA allows students to pursue purchasing textbooks in order to help keep costs down. You will find second hand textbooks through <u>www.textbookexchange.com.au</u> or through our existing student body who regularly post notices about second hand texts for sale. If you wish to purchase your texts new, you can online through <u>The Coop BookShop</u>. The University of Newcastle bookshop is aware of our Academy and often has these books in stock, however we recommend you call ahead to ensure they are in stock.

Your textbook details will be provided to you at your first class for each Unit of Study. On many occasions, one textbook will cover multiple units of study.

#### **Other Resources**

All other resources are provided by WEA.

## **Resources Continued**

#### Other Costs

If you are attending work placement or an excursion there may be travel costs to and from this, which you will need to pay for. In addition, during both work placement and clinical studies you will be required to wear professional work attire which you will also need to pay for yourself.

If you are an e-learning student, you will need access to a computer with Windows installed, and internet connection (reliable at broadband speed), speakers and it is recommended to have a headset and microphone to participate properly in webinars. These are inexpensive, but are at your cost.

All students should have access to a computer and internet to view the online student environment 'Engage Online' and to participate in web-run activities. You can also use a computer on-campus at no charge, however you will need to book in advance. We cannot guarantee availability at all times.

#### Wet Lab

Your Anatomy and Physiology class has a compulsory Wet Lab through the University of Newcastle. There are no costs for you for this as it is a tuition excursion, however you are responsible for transport to and from the University and for any parking costs. You will examine a human cadaver during this activity.

#### Academic Library

WEA hosts a small academic library at its Laman Street campus which you are able to borrow items from. You can call ahead to have access to this library by phoning the office.

## Can I Get Credit For Previous Study?

If you are eligible – absolutely! There are two main ways to have your previous study recognised:

#### 1) Credit Transfer

Credit Transfer means you have already obtained the same unit, or a very similar unit, and you will receive direct credit for that unit. VET Units of Competency are nationally recognised, so if you have obtained a unit somewhere else (or here at WEA), just provide us with a certified copy of your Statement of Attainment or Certificate, and we will apply the transfer.

In addition, credit transfer applies when mapping previous study at Universities or other Higher Education institutions. In this case you will need to provide your academic transcript **and** the subject outlines for any applicable subjects in order to be considered for credit transfer.

There is no fee for credit transfer for students enrolled in a full course of study with us. Students who are not enrolled will need to pay the 'Certificate or Statement of Attainment Reissued' fee in our <u>Fee, Withdrawal and Refund Policy</u> to have a certificate produced.

#### 2) Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

RPL is a little bit more complicated. It means that you have skills from the workplace already, and/or a different qualification, which when looked at in combination means you already have, and can demonstrate, the knowledge and skills for a particular unit.

It is important to note that RPL is a *process*. It requires an assessor to carefully analyse all the evidence that you provide and assess it against the unit outcomes. It takes time, but can mean that you don't have to study that unit. After all, you already know it all! Very often people have the skills and knowledge, but have difficulty finding the *evidence*. This may be because they don't have access to their old workplace to get documents from, or because their job roles are too different to satisfy the requirements. In that case there may be other options for you (such as an **assessment only pathway**) - please contact us to discuss further.

So you have some idea of what's involved, the **general** process is following – however some programs will amend this when we know a lot about your circumstances already.

#### Survey

You will be sent a questionnaire that will ask you about your work history and what evidence you have available for your RPL application. You don't have to send in any evidence at this point.

Your assessor will take a look at your survey response and work with you to decide if RPL is the right path for you.

#### **RPL Evidence Gathering**

You will be sent a work book that will contain all the different pieces of evidence we will need to see to assess you. This section is usually the largest amount of work for you.

Your assessor will take a look at what you submit and then will decide what the next steps are for you.

#### **RPL** Assessment

Your assessor will conduct some other activities to ensure we gather the volume of evidence we need to deem you competent. This is different in each situation but may involve small assessments, competency conversations (an oral questioning assessment), third-party reports (such as from a supervisor), and many others.

In order to successfully get through the RPL process you have to get over the biggest hurdle to success - evidence.

The only evidence we can accept is evidence that reflects all four of the below 'Rules of Evidence': **Valid** – this means the evidence is directly related to the unit/s you are applying for. Often people have trouble meeting that requirement if they are trying to use evidence from a different industry to what they are applying for.

**Sufficient** – Units of Competency have lots of different criteria. Sometimes you have the skills and knowledge, but you are missing a little piece of evidence that you simply haven't kept a copy of, or perhaps you just don't have access to. Often supplementary assessments in the final stage will help with this, but it is not always possible.

**Current** – your evidence must be recent. There is no set timeframe as it depends on the industry you are applying for recognition through. Generally a good rule of thumb is that your evidence should have been from the previous two years.

Authentic – the evidence must be yours. It is no good to us to present documents from your workplace that were created by someone else. A supervisor may need to sign off to say it is your work. Ultimately, it is important to remember that RPL is not something that happens overnight – but we are here to help you each step of the way. Just let us know if RPL is something you would like to be considered for when enrolling, and we will be in touch.

There is much work that goes into RPL, and the experience is individualised to each student. WEA charges the same fees for this process as for full study.



## What are WEA'S Responsibilities To Me?

As the Registered Training Organisation (RTO) providing training and assessment to you, the Learner, WEA (Legal Name: Workers Educational Association – Hunter; RTO Code: 90020) is responsible for the quality of the training and assessment in compliance with the *Standards for Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) 2015*. In addition, WEA is the responsible party for issuance of the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) certification documentation (your Certificate or Statement of Attainment).

## **Complaints and Grievances Procedure**

A full copy of our <u>Complaints and Grievances Policy</u> is available on WEA's website in the Terms and Policies section.

## Appeals against Assessment

WEA designs its courses to ensure that you have enough information, practice and study to be successful in your assessments, for this reason our decision is not made until it is final. However, there may be times when you want to appeal that decision based on adverse circumstances, fairness, illness or misadventure or if you believe there has been an error. If so, contact the office for a form and we will look into it for you. There may be a fee of \$40.00 per unit if your appeal is unsuccessful but you wish to be reassessed.

## **Tuition Assurance Scheme**

WEA will maintain a tuition assurance scheme to safeguard domestic students in the event of it becoming insolvent and unable to return fees that have been paid in advance. The tuition assurance scheme will source similar training to allow the effected participants under this condition to complete their studies without further financial burden. However if the student cannot be placed, the tuition assurance will make refunds. WEA maintains a Tuition Assurance Scheme through the Australian Council for Private Education and Training (ACPET). Please view our <u>Statement of Tuition Assurance</u> in the Terms and Policies section of our website for further information.

## Privacy and Confidentiality

WEA provides information about what organisations and governing body will receive information about you on the enrolment form. You will be asked to declare your permission for this on that form. WEA takes the privacy of its students very seriously and information gathered and shared will only be used for the purposes of administering your study with us. In addition, we offer the opportunity for you to opt-out of any direct marketing on your enrolment form. For further information, see our <u>Confidentiality and Privacy Policy</u> in the Terms and Policies section of our website.

## Student Support

WEA prides itself on its ability to provide personalised support to its students. If you have difficulties that you think will inhibit your ability to successfully study with us, simply contact the office and we will organise an appointment with a Student Support Worker who can work with you to achieve your goals. You can also indicate this request on your Enrolment Form.

## What are My Responsibilities?

When studying at WEA, there are certain obligations you need to meet as a student, these are listed below and are taken from our Code of Practice:

As a student of WEA, ensure you:

- Participate in the program fully including adherence to requirements, instructions and due dates for assessments, unless special circumstances apply and we are informed of those circumstances.
- Pay all fees owed to WEA at the agreed times. WEA reserves the right to withhold issuance of a Certificate or Statement of Attainment until all fees are paid.
- Treat other students, trainers and staff with respect and report any complaints or grievances through the appropriate channels.
- Keep us informed if your circumstances or personal details change (such as a change of name or address). Certificates and Statements of Attainment are issued in the name and to the address declared at the time of enrolment. A re issuance where we are not informed of a change to these details will attract a fee as detailed in the fees section.
- Communicate with your trainer when you are having any difficulties as early as possible so we can assist you we are here to help and want you to succeed!
- Complete any forms and documentation required from WEA in accordance with our legislative and contractual obligations.
- To repay any debt to the Government for fees deferred through the VET FEE-HELP loan program according to legislation and the <u>VET FEE HELP Information Booklet</u>

## **Third Party Provision Arrangements**

There are no third party provision arrangements for this course. All training and assessment is carried out by WEA.

## What If I Want to Change My Enrolment or Withdraw?

WEA's <u>Fee, Withdrawal and Refund policy</u> is available in the Terms and Policies section on our website. It is important you understand the process for this for VET FEE-HELP eligible courses like this. You will be treated the same way regardless of whether you defer some or all of your fees through VET FEE-HELP. In addition, consult your <u>VET FEE HELP Information Booklet</u> on the Study Assist Website

(<u>www.studyassist.gov.au</u>) for further information about the process.

## Census Dates

You must make changes to your enrolment, including withdrawal, transfer or enrolment on or before the published **Census Date** for your Unit of Study. This rule applies regardless of whether you are using the VET FEE-HELP program to defer your tuition fees, or if you are paying your fees up front.

Census Dates are published in the Schedule of Fees for each course, which is available on the Course Page for your chosen program on our website, and on the main VET FEE-HELP page (http://www.weahunter.edu.au/vetfeehelp).

If you do not make your changes either on or before the published census date, you will incur the full tuition fee for that Unit of Study.

I withdrew after the census date, what if I want to get my VET FEE-HELP balance re-credited?

This can occur in specific circumstances. Consult our <u>Fee, Withdrawal and Refund policy</u> for this procedure, or contact the office. Regulations around this issue are available in the <u>VET FEE HELP Information Booklet</u> on the Study Assist Website (<u>www.studyassist.gov.au</u>).

## Are There Any Hidden Extras?

Nope! All the charges by WEA are outlined above.

However, if you choose to defer some or all of your fees through VET FEE-HELP, you must be aware the Government charges a 20% loan fee for each amount deferred. This fee is not paid to WEA, but is applied by the Government after the census date for each Unit of Study. The fee is only applied to the amount you defer through the VET FEE-HELP program. Details are in the <u>VET FEE HELP Information Booklet</u> on the Study Assist Website (<u>www.studyassist.gov.au</u>).

Please note that the Government is intending to abolish charging this fee from 1 January 2016, subject to the passage of legislation.

## Are There Any Other Conditions I Need to Know About?

If you have read your VET FEE-HELP Information Booklet, consulted our Terms and Policies on our website, and read this Course Information Booklet, you should have all the information you need to get started. Implications on you for training entitlements and subsidies

By participating in this qualification you may become ineligible for a Government training program (for example, some qualifications under NSW's current 'Smart and Skilled' arrangements will mean you will be ineligible to receive a subsidy under Smart and Skilled because you have completed a qualification higher than Certificate III level). If you are intending to access Government funding in the future, you should check to see whether enrolling in this program will affect your eligibility to do that.

In addition, if you are deferring your fees through VET FEE-HELP, the amount you defer will contribute to your lifetime FEE-HELP limit, which may mean you don't have enough remaining balance to undertake other qualifications in the future. For further information about the FEE-HELP limit, consult <u>www.studyassist.gov.au</u> Disallowance

There is a rule in Australian law that legislation passed in Government can be 'disallowed'. As WEA is a new provider of VET FEE-HELP, we are subject to a disallowance period of 15 sitting days (in both houses). This means our approval could be revoked until those sitting days lapse. WEA has reviewed disallowance notices for the past three years and no provider has been disallowed. However, should this unlikely event occur, you will not be able to access VET FEE-HELP for the remainder of your course. Any VET FEE-HELP debts already accrued before disallowance will not be affected, and you will still incur that debt. The disallowance period for WEA should complete by the end of August 2015.

#### So What's Next?

Just contact the office on the following details and we can get you started, or if you have received the enrolment pack already, just fill in the forms and away you go. We look forward to working with you on your exciting learning journey!

## WEA Adult Education and Training

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WEA is a not-for-profit, community based organisation with over 100 years of history in providing Adult Education in the region.

RTO Code: 90020 Legal Name: Workers Educational Association – Hunter



