

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING AND CREDIT TRANSFER POLICY

PURPOSE

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and Credit Transfer (CT) are alternate pathways to an Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) qualification.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and Credit Transfer is applied and requires consistency in the implementation of RPL and Credit Transfer within ATEC.

This policy will ensure quality, integrity and standing of all of ATEC's qualifications. The policy is underpinned by the AQF National Principles and the ATEC Recognition of Prior Learning and Credit Transfer Procedure.

SCOPE

- This policy and its related procedure will apply to all Students enrolled at ATEC.
- ATEC recognises all AQF qualifications and statements of attainment.
- Credit Transfer will be granted to any Student who has successfully completed equivalent unit(s) of competency within ATEC's scope of registration, at another Registered Training Organisation.
- All candidates will be informed of the availability of RPL and CT prior to enrolment.
- Students may receive RPL for the entire qualification or units of competency.
- Elements of a unit of competency may be assessed using RPL processes. However where gaps in an individual's competencies are identified additional training will be required. The successfully completed unit of competency will be graded and recorded as "competency achieved", not RPL.

DEFINITIONS

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) means an assessment process that assesses an individual's formal and non-formal learning to determine the extent to which that individual has achieved competency for partial or total completion of, a VET qualification or unit of competency.

Credit Transfer (CT) is a process that provides students with agreed and consistent credit outcomes for successfully completed units of competency based on identified equivalence* in content and learning outcomes between matched units of competency.

* as stated on training.gov.au mapping documents or other relevant sources

Status (ST) holds the same value as credit transfer, but is used when ATEC has previously deemed the student competent under the same qualification/course of study in which they are re-enrolling into.

REFERENCES

- Standards for Registered Training Organisations (RTOs) 2015, Standard 3.5
- AQF, 2nd Edition, January 2013, AQF Glossary of Terminology

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