

Wide Bay Institute of TAFE



Water industry training delivered to meet the needs of your business!

Our Training Services

At Wide Bay Institute of TAFE we understand that those in the water industry value their people and resources. We assist water service providers in retaining a productive and skilled workforce by providing innovative online training solutions in a highly professional and supportive learning environment.

Catering for the industry's geographically diverse workforces through online communication tools allows lots of opportunities for:

- one-on-one teacher-learner engagement;
- peer networking; and
- membership to a community of practice of highly skilled technicians.



'Fast Tracking' qualifications is possible if you meet the criteria for:

- Mutual Recognition,
- Credit Transfer,
- Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and
- Recognition of Current Competencies (RCC).

Please contact us on 1300 656 188 to receive a RPL Information Pack.

360 Degree Student Support

Our highly qualified program developers provide leading-edge methods to support the full circle of learning by providing resources for the industry trainer and assessor, workplace coach and the learner.

Our Resources

We take pride in delivering high quality educational packages while focussing on normal workplace management systems and processes. Our programs are developed by industry, for industry. We recommend eLearning as an environmentally friendly (saves more trees) and sustainable study option. All of your assessment material can be sent electronically which will save you time and money in postage and handling.

Our online programs are developed so that all theory components can be related to normal work activities, and completed in the comfort of your own home, at work, anywhere, anytime. We have no semesters so you can start studying whenever you like. Our resources include tips for transitioning new knowledge and skills into the workplace, creating highly competent graduates.

Our resources have been developed for those working in the industry and are critically reviewed to ensure the language is appropriate and we use industry jargon. Our resources cater for a variety of learning styles, with an option to print for those who just love their workbooks!

We use the latest interactive techniques such as self-marking quizzes, learner notes, forums, chat rooms, video, simulated environments and even a little animation! All this is presented in a user-friendly way so the learner isn't intimidated by the technology, but really enjoys their learning experience.

Our Programs

Our professional team are actively involved in:

- training package revisions,
- discussing the needs and compliance requirements of industry, and
- regularly consulting with learners and employers, to ensure our products are technically-correct, use current technology, and support changing business environments.

Wide Bay Institute of TAFE can structure programs to suit a single job outcome, a skills set, or offer a whole career pathway.

Whether you have been a water treatment plant operator for decades, or a new school-based trainee we offer a solution for you. Different training plans are available should you change roles from plant operator, construction and maintenance support worker in the water industry to irrigator.

Encouraging Excellence

Wide Bay Institute of TAFE participates in the annual QLD Training Awards, and several of our nominated learners have qualified as finalists or even won! We also hold an annual graduation event to celebrate the success of our participants, and present an industry award to the student who has shown extra enthusiasm and commitment to their studies, as nominated by our industry-based trainers and assessors.

96% students surveyed would recommend their course to others in the water industry wanting training.

Statistics obtained from student surveys

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Sustainability

Get your **green skills** while studying with us! Our programs are now being progressively revised to include sustainability aspects to ensure you can get the skills for new compliance requirements.

Wide Bay Institute of TAFE also offers Queensland students enrolled in Certificate IV and above studies a FREE* online unit to support sustainable work practices. Ask today about enrolling into BSBSUS301A Implement and Monitor Environmentally Sustainable Work Practices

*conditions apply. BSBSUS301A must be completed during 2011.

Did you know?

Around 30 metric tons of CO₂ is saved every 10 weeks with 100 students studying online? This means Wide Bay Institute of TAFE has helped save over 1,000 metric tons of CO₂ over the past 3 years! That is equivalent to taking around 200 cars off the road (not to mention the safety aspect of all those people not having to drive long distances to attend training).

Programs

Certificate II in Water Operations (NWP20107)

Waste Water Treatment/Sewerage Treatment Program: If you work as a plant operator assistant for a wastewater treatment facility, this nationally recognised program will give you the qualification to competently and safely operate a treatment plant under supervision.

Water Industry Construction & Maintenance Assistant Program: This program targets workers in the water industry looking to establish career options by building a base of practical and industry skills through working in diverse roles and environments.

Water Treatment Program: If you work as a plant assistant operator for a water treatment facility, this nationally recognised program will give you the qualification to competently and safely operate a treatment plant under supervision.

Certificate III in Water Operations (NWP30107)

Waste Water Treatment/Sewerage Treatment Program: If you are currently working in a secondary waste water facility, and would like to upgrade or obtain your qualification, this course offers higher-level skills and knowledge for the safe and competent operation of treatment plants.

Water Industry Construction & Maintenance Program: This program targets workers in a supervisory position in the water industry in the construction and maintenance area performing distribution maintenance, installation of water assets, and leak detection.

Water Treatment Program: This is the nationally recognised training program for water treatment plant operators. It is designed to assist water treatment operators to upgrade or obtain recognition of their knowledge and skills in the safe and competent operation of treatment plants.

Higher Qualifications using internet classrooms

Starting Semester 2 in 2011, Wide Bay Institute of TAFE brings online students back into the classroom using web conferencing technology (iConnect), by offering Certificate IV in Water Operations (NWP40107) and Diploma in Water Operations (NWP50107) as compulsory teacher-led interactive classes supported by action learning project assessments.

iConnect provides opportunity for increased participation from the student group, more direct learning instruction from the teacher and sessions can be recorded for later refresher tutorial needs. To facilitate group work minimum class numbers apply to these courses. Lodge your Expression of Interest today.

International speaker collaboration opportunities

Using our global industry networking contacts Wide Bay Institute of TAFE water students also have the ability to discuss their industry with local and international experts in their field of study through active, real time discussions using TAFE QLD web conferencing technology, iConnect. These FREE 30 minute industry collaboration sessions are scheduled regularly to broaden the learning experience for all Water Operations students.

Skills sets

Don't need a full qualification or just looking for specific skills for a new process or task? Ask how to enrol in just what you need. Our study options get you ready today for tomorrow's jobs skills.