



# Skilling South Australia

Skilling South Australia will help people get skills and qualifications to build careers and meet the workforce needs of industry.

This initiative delivers on the Marshall Liberal Government's election promise to invest \$100 million in creating more than 20,800 new apprenticeships and traineeships and secures an additional \$103 million from the Australian Government under the Skilling Australians Fund.

As a former apprentice, tradesperson and small business owner, I know first-hand how important workers with practical and useful skills are for South Australian businesses and our economy and how far a VET qualification can take you.

Skilling South Australia has a clear purpose – increasing apprenticeships and traineeships to help people build lasting careers and grow our skilled workforce as we gear up for the wave of massive economic opportunity from defence projects and the growth of digital technology.

To ensure South Australians can take advantage of the jobs that will flow, we are building a stronger and more stable training sector that gives students the foundation for real careers and better aligns training with industry needs.

We are encouraging students and career seekers to view VET, apprenticeships and traineeships as first choice options that can help them achieve rewarding, well-paid and transferable careers with opportunities to move up.

We are also equipping young South Australians to seize the opportunities of the future and thrive in a changing world by establishing metro and regional specialist schools to teach entrepreneurial skills and attitudes, and new business-focused SACE subjects.

The Marshall Liberal Government is also creating a pro-business environment that supports jobs, growth and industry development. That means scrapping payroll tax for around 3,200 small businesses, saving them up to \$44,550 a year, helping businesses boost their ability to compete and win government contracts, and ensuring industry leaders have a stronger voice in our training system by re-establishing Industry Skills Councils.

Skilling South Australia gives students and career seekers more opportunities to build a skilled career and makes it easier for businesses to take on apprentices and trainees and shape training to respond to their needs.

I look forward to working with all of you to build new jobs and great careers and grow our businesses through apprenticeships and traineeships.

**The Hon David Pisoni MP**  
Minister for Industry and Skills

# What does Skilling South Australia mean for you?

## Students and career seekers

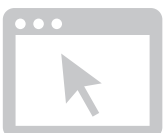
- More than 20,800 new apprenticeships and traineeships so more South Australians can learn valuable, practical skills in the workplace and build careers.
- Flexible apprenticeships for school students so you can combine SACE and training.
- Additional Learner Support Services to help you stick with your course and successfully finish your qualification.
- New facilities for you to train in – an international school of culinary excellence at the old Royal Adelaide Hospital site, a new technical college in Adelaide's north-west and a new welding simulator centre at TAFE SA's Regency Campus.
- Increase of nearly double the average Travel and Accommodation Allowance for regional apprentices and trainees to help you with the cost of attending training.
- Support to buy equipment when cost is a barrier to your training.

## Business and industry

- Backing for innovative projects from business and industry that build apprenticeship and traineeship opportunities – see the Skilling South Australia Projects Guidelines for more information.
- A new state-wide advisory service to help you employ apprentices or trainees with tailored support from first contact to your apprentice or trainee's first day.
- Less red tape for businesses seeking to employ apprentices or trainees by streamlining registration and working with you to remove other barriers.
- A stronger voice for you in South Australia's training system by re-establishing Industry Skills Councils and revitalising the Training and Skills Commission to plan for future industry needs.
- More funding for group training organisations to support businesses to take on apprentices and trainees.
- Practical help for employing your first apprentice or trainee.
- Reformed Subsidised Training List guided by industry, and more subsidised training places in 74 VET courses.

## Training providers

- Access to 48 additional subsidised training courses for non-government training providers.
- Provider Development Program to boost training provider capability and capacity to train apprentices.
- Less red tape for training providers, with any eligible student able to take up an apprenticeship or traineeship, regardless of their prior learning.
- Backing for innovative projects from training providers that boost apprenticeships and traineeships – see the Skilling South Australia Projects Guidelines for more information.
- Allocations of training places directly to non-government training providers – see the Skilling South Australia Quota Guidelines to find out if you're eligible and how to apply.



To find out more about support for skilled careers call the Skilling South Australia Infoline on **1800 673 097**.