



The Victorian Skills Plan for 2023 into 2024



The *Victorian Skills Plan for 2023 into 2024* provides a roadmap for a learner-focused, responsive, and integrated post-secondary system.

Victoria's TAFE Network; training providers; adult, community and further education sector; and higher education institutions have a critical role to play in delivering Victoria's skills roadmap.

352,000

new workers expected to enter the Victorian economy between 2023 and 2026

64%

of new workers will need higher-order skills

The Skills Plan recognises the need for Victoria's post-secondary system to further improve vocational education and training (VET) graduate outcomes, meet the aspirations of learners, lift participation in education and training, and deliver higher-order and transferable skills.

Engaging with learners to meet their motivations and aspirations through an inclusive VET system

- Providing a stronger voice into education and training reforms
- Understanding learner needs and aspirations to identify opportunities to improve post-secondary education
- Working with the Department of Education to enhance connections of school-aged learners with industry
- Gaining a better understanding of the VET journey of different learner cohorts and their outcomes.

Pursuing VET qualification redesign

- Streamlining learning pathways through skills ministers' work on VET qualification redesign
- Trialling new approaches to designing VET qualifications through local accreditation.

Lifting participation in education and training

- Empowering self-determination of First Nations peoples in VET
- Reviewing the supports available for learners with disability to identify improvements.

Exploring future skills needs

- Continuing to lead work on Victoria's future skills needs.

Delivering an integrated post-secondary system

For Victorian TAFE Network providers, this involves:

- streamlining qualification development
- reducing regulatory burden
- advocating for access to Commonwealth higher education funding
- creating partnerships with universities that recognise the unique value of VET.

Embedding applied research in VET

- Developing approaches to embed applied research in the education and training delivered by Victorian TAFE Network providers
- Considering using the *Workforce Training and Innovation Fund* to prioritise applied research projects.

