

ITABs - SMART AND SKILLED UPDATE July 2024

Apprenticeship and Traineeship Roadmap

Discover the future of skills development in NSW. The Apprenticeship and Traineeship Roadmap could help you deliver training for apprenticeships and traineeships that responds to learner and industry needs.

Visit nsw.gov.au/apprenticeship-traineeship-roadmap to find out more.

Fee Free Apprenticeships and Traineeships extended to 30 June 2025

The NSW Department of Education is pleased to confirm a further extension of fee free apprenticeships and traineeships for students who commence their Smart and Skilled training up until 30 June 2025. Fee free apprenticeships and traineeships remove financial barriers for students and support a strong pipeline of skilled workers to build the NSW economy.

During this period, student fees – approximately \$2,000 for apprentices and \$1,000 for trainees – will continue to be covered for individuals who commence their apprenticeships and traineeships by 30 June 2025.

Apprentices and trainees who commence training in their course before 30 June 2025 will be eligible for fee free training. Current apprentices and trainees who commence a fee free apprenticeship or traineeship prior to 30 June 2025 will continue their fee free arrangements for the duration of the current apprenticeship or traineeship enrolment.

Training providers should continue to apply fee free waivers when enrolling eligible apprentices and trainees. Full details of the initiative can be found in the [Smart and Skilled Fee Administration Policy](#).

Training Activity Data reporting close off for the 2023-24 Activity Period: Friday 28 June 2024

Smart and Skilled providers were reminded training activity data for training activity for current students (new or continuing) occurring/completing in the 2023-24 Activity Period was to be successfully submitted no later than 11.59pm, 30 June 2024 allowing time for providers to address validation errors and successfully resubmit data prior to the reporting deadline.