About this course

This qualification is part of the Lower fees, local skills program where you'll pay only half of the standard course fees.

Learn how to empower and support the independence of our elders needing care and join one of Australia’s fastest growing industries

When you complete the Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing) you will be ready to start a rewarding career providing direct care to clients in residential, home and community settings.

There are two different industry placement options available to those studying this Certificate III in Individual Support (Ageing), you have the option of either:

Brightwater partnership program

- Attending classes for 3 days per week for 15 weeks followed by a 4 week industry placement, or
- At our Mt Lawley campus we also offer a partnership program with Brightwater where you attend classes for 4 days per week over the first 5 weeks followed by 2 days a week industry placement plus 1 day attending classes.

Dual qualification in partnership with Hall and Prior Health and Aged Care Group

North Metropolitan TAFE will also be offering a dual qualification in partnership with Hall and Prior Health and Aged Care Group, combining this certificate with HLT33115 AA72 Certificate III in Health Service Assistance (Acute Care).

This dual qualification program will run over 7 months with attendance as follows:

- For the first 4 weeks you will need to attend classes at Mt Lawley campus over 4 days per week
- Each week from week 4 through to week 27 you will complete 2 days per week of work placement at a Hall and
Prior facility plus 1 day per week of classes at Mt Lawley campus
- Online learning of 1 day per week including online assessment will also be required.

For more information view our flyer.

Aged Care Workers provide personal, physical and emotional support to older people who require assistance with daily living. When you provide support to older people you are able to make a tremendous difference to their quality of life and achieve real personal satisfaction through your work. Aged care work is rewarding in itself and provides the opportunity to meet a wide variety of older people.

**Gain these skills**
- Empower or re-enable older people
- Work with people from different cultures
- Work and build relationships within a small team
- Implement effective communication strategies
- Learn the effects of dementia and the management of any related changes

**Is this course right for me?**
- Enjoy providing quality support for people who are frail aged or living with disabilities
- Empathetic with a strong sense of compassion and respect for individuals
- Patient, discrete and committed to the rights of elderly people
- Calm disposition and loving attitude
- Reliable, motivated and flexible
- Good time management skills

**What others have to say**

*Partnering with North Metropolitan TAFE using a new clinical model in the Certificate III Individual Support - Ageing qualification has allowed us to increase the amount of placements we offer. Brightwater's dedicated team of support staff work closely with North Metropolitan TAFE students throughout their training to develop their job ready skills. By the completion of their studies some students form an integral part of the team and have been offered employment which has benefited both parties.*

Manager, Strategic Learning & Growth

**Details**

In order to comply with COVID-19 Government directed social distancing guidelines, some courses may include a mix of online learning, virtual classrooms (live web conferencing with your lecturer and class) and classroom delivery, as well as practical and work experience placements.

Lecturers will provide specific instructions to their student groups on how training will be undertaken.
**Entrance requirements**

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**Further study**

North Metropolitan TAFE offers you a range of further study opportunities, see below for a list of related courses.

**Job opportunities**

- Aged Carer | Personal Care Worker | Personal Carer

Other job titles may include:

- In Home Respite Worker
- Care Service Employee | Care Assistant | Care Worker
- Residential Care Worker | Residential Support Worker
- Residential Aide | Home Care Assistant

*Please note this list should be used as a guide only as job titles and qualification requirements may vary between organisations.*

**Important information**

Other costs for consideration:

- Police clearance (approx. $72)
- Polo shirt (approx. $29)

It is strongly recommended that you see your doctor about having flu vaccination.

**Fees and charges**

**Local full time students**

Course fees are made up of two components, tuition fees and resource fees.

**Tuition fees** are determined by multiplying the course fee rate by the nominal hours, which is the number of hours in which an average student could be expected to complete each unit. They are not the hours of training or instruction.

**Resource fees** are charges for material that are essential to a course or unit, and are purchased by NMT to be used
by students during the course.

Fees may vary depending on the units you are enrolled in so an approximate amount has been shown. You will be given the exact amount of your fees at enrolment. Part time student fees will vary depending on the number of units you are enrolled in.

Please note, you may also need to buy textbooks or equipment for your course.

**International Students**

Check [TAFE International WA](#) to confirm this course is available to international students. You will pay your tuition fees to TIWA.

*Please note, fees are subject to change.*