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.

Enhance your clients' quality of life

This qualification focuses on the support and needs of people experiencing mental health issues. You'll learn about the value and principles of mental health sector and how to apply them in a recovery oriented way.

You will undertake a supervised or simulated work placement* where you will be able to apply the skills and knowledge you have learned.

You could find work in a variety of community contexts such as community based non-government organisations; outreach; centre-based programs; respite care; residential services; rehabilitation programs; clinical settings; or supporting people in employment.

Gain these skills

- Empathy
- Professional boundaries
- Recognising and responding appropriately to people with mental health issues
- Networking and collaboration with services
- Effective interpersonal and communication skills
- Working as part of a team

Is this course right for me?

I have the following attributes:

- 18+ years of age
- Friendly, empathetic, resilient and positive attitude
Commitment to the values of dignity, respect, inclusion, and empowerment
Commitment to positively engage, interact and work with people who have complex needs
Able to plan, organise and problem solve
Able to work independently and use initiative
Work respectfully with diverse people

Delivery mode information

Online
With online study you will be completing your course via an online platform which contains all your study material and assessments. You will be provided a login and password to access this material once you have been enrolled at North Metropolitan TAFE.

Online is a little different to on-campus study as you do not have face to face contact with your lecturers and you do not engage directly with fellow students during every-day class activities. If on-campus study is not your preference, then online study is a great option. Rest assured you will be supported by your online lecturers.
You will also have access to lecturers via your online dashboard. The lecturers will help to clarify your concerns, assist with the course content, mark your assessments and provide you with feedback if required

Qualifications are broken down into stages with an intensive practical skills workshop run at the end of each stage. You will only need to enrol and pay for one stage at a time.

A Work Placement is compulsory for students undertaking a Certificate IV or Diploma as some units in these qualifications require you to demonstrate your skills in a work place setting. These units will be highlighted on your study plan.

To enquire or enrol please fill out the Course Enquiry Form

Part-time
With part time study you will be completing your course on-campus with face to face contact with your lecturers and fellow students during every-day class activities.

Qualifications are broken down into stages to try and suit your availability.
If you are planning on completing a Certificate III or IV level course we will recommend that the course be broken into 2 or 3 stages over 12 - 18 months
If you are planning on completing a Diploma level course we will recommend that the course be broken into 3 or 4 stages over 18 - 24 months

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Work-based
Workplace training offers a flexible, self-paced study program which combines workplace recognition of prior learning and individualised ‘gap’ training to attain your qualification.

Workplace training means every time you go to work you are learning and demonstrating competence whilst working towards your qualification. The flexibility of workplace training allows you to structure and perform learning and assessment in a way that fits into your professional and personal life.
Learning and assessment plans are created on an individual level in consultation with you and/or your employer. Workplace training assessment is conducted using numerous methods including practical demonstration and observation, question and answer interviews, written tasks, supervisor reports and workshops.

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**Details**

**Entrance requirements**

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*We recommend that you are over the age of 18 before enrolling in this course as the fieldwork placement and employment outcomes are very limited for students under the age of 18.*

**Further study**

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

**Job opportunities**

- Recovery partner
- Mental Health Worker | Mental Health Support Worker
- Mental Health Outreach Worker

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

**Important information**

Eligibility for supervised work placement is subject to obtaining a satisfactory Police Clearance. You will also need a Working with Children Check if your placement involves contact with children. Additional costs will include $65 National Police Clearance, through Australia Post (it is best to apply for this first) and $11 Working With Children Check (WWCC).

**Fees and charges**

View our Indicative Fees list
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.