



2024 Primary Industries Course Descriptor

AHC20116 Certificate II in Agriculture

RTO - Department of Education - 90333, 90222, 90072, 90162

This information may change due to Training Package and NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) updates. Notification of variations will be made in due time with minimal disruption or disadvantage.

Course: **Primary Industries**
Board Developed Course (240 hour)

2 or 4 Preliminary and/or HSC units in total
Industry Curriculum Framework (ICF)
Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) eligible course

By enrolling in this VET qualification with Public Schools NSW RTOs, you are choosing to participate in a program of study which will provide you a pathway towards HSC accreditation and a nationally recognised qualification (dual accreditation). To receive this VET qualification, you must meet the assessment requirements of AHC20116 Certificate II in Agriculture <https://training.gov.au/training/details/ahc20116>. You will be expected to complete all requirements relevant to the HSC and adhere to the requirements of NESA. To gain this full qualification, you must achieve 3 core and 15 elective units of competency. A statement of attainment towards the qualification is possible if at least one unit of competency is achieved.

Entry Requirements

You must complete the VET enrolment process, supplying your USI and be assessed for learning support (eg LLN Robot) before the commencement of any training and assessment. HSC: All My Own Work must be completed before enrolling in this qualification. When selecting this course, you should be interested in working in an agricultural environment and be able to use a personal digital device including a personal computer or laptop.

Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package (AHC 8.0) Units of Competency

Core		Elective - continued	
AHCWHS201	Participate in work health and safety processes	*AHCMMOM202	Operate tractors
AHCWRK204	Work effectively in the industry	*AHCMMOM304	Operate machinery and equipment
AHCWRK209	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices.	*AHCLSK211	Provide feed for livestock
		*AHCLSK209	Monitor water supplies
		*AHCINF202	Install, maintain and repair farm fencing
		*AHCINF201	Carry out basic electric fencing operations
		*AHCNSY207	Undertake propagation activities
		*AHCNSY205	Pot up plants
		*AHCSOL203	Assist with soil or growing media sampling and testing
		*AHCLSK316	Prepare livestock for competition
		*AHCBO203	Inspect and clean machinery, tools and equipment to preserve biosecurity
		* Trainer will advise on elective units chosen. Not all units of competency are available.	
Elective			
AHCWRK205	Participate in workplace communications		
AHCWRK201	Observe and report on weather		
AHCPMG201	Treat weeds		
AHCCHM201	Apply chemicals under supervision		
AHCLSK202	Care for health and welfare of livestock		
AHCLSK205	Handle livestock using basic techniques		
AHCLSK206	Identify and mark livestock		
AHCLSK204	Carry out regular livestock observations		
AHCPMG202	Treat plant pests, diseases and disorders		
AHCNSY206	Care for nursery plants		
AHCPCM204	Recognise plants		

Students may apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and/or credit transfer before delivery, provided suitable evidence is submitted.

Pathways to Industry - Skills gained in this course transfer to other occupations

This qualification provides a general vocational outcome in agriculture.

The qualification enables individuals to select a livestock production, plant or livestock context as a job focus.

Examples of occupations in the agricultural industry:

- farm or station hand/labourer • nursery assistant • assistant farm or station worker
- shearing hand • livestock worker • assistant animal attendant/stockperson

Mandatory HSC Course Requirements

Students must complete 240 indicative hours of course work and a minimum of 70 hours work placement. Students who do not meet these requirements will be 'N' determined as required by NESA. You should be work ready before work placement.

External Assessment (optional HSC examination for ATAR purposes)

The Higher School Certificate examination for Primary Industries is only available after completion of 240 indicative hours and will involve a written examination consisting of multiple-choice, short answers and extended response items. The examination is independent of the competency-based assessment undertaken during the course and has no impact on the eligibility of a student to receive a vocational qualification.

Competency-Based Assessment

In this course you will work to develop the competencies, skills and knowledge described by each unit of competency listed above. To be assessed as competent you must demonstrate to a qualified assessor the competency requirements for performance and knowledge of the unit of competency.

Appeals and Complaints

You may lodge a complaint or an appeal about a decision (including assessment decisions) by following the Appeals and Complaints Guidelines.

Course Cost: Preliminary - \$40

HSC - \$40

Refunds

Refund arrangements are on a pro-rata basis.
Please refer to your school refund policy

A school-based traineeship is available in this course, for more information: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/career-and-study-pathways/school-based-apprenticeships-and-traineeships>

Exclusions: VET course exclusions can be checked on the NESA website at <http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/vet/course-exclusions>

